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106 We have the Honor to forward a Register of the European Effective troops, in this Establishment, with a general Return of the troops under this Presidency: on the 31.st of January 1800.

107 We transmit a Statement of passage money paid to Officers in His Majestys and in your Service, proceeding to Europe.

108 We have advanced three Months subsistence to the Invalids of His Majestys Regiments, who have been embarked on your Ships, Charlton, and Asia.

109 We transmit a Register of Boys in the Military Male Asylum on the 31.st March last.

110 We have the honor to — forward

forward a Statement of Military Stores received from His Majesty's Regiments serving under this Presidency from the 1st. of May 1798 to 30th of April 1799, with an account Current of the Receipts and Issues of Stores from and to His Majesty's Regiments during that period.

111 We also forward an Account of Military Stores supplied from the Arsenal of Fort St. George to different Ships of His Majesty's Squadron during the quarter from the 1st. of August to the 31st. October 1799, accompanied by the original receipts.

112 The Certificates of pay and Remarks of Officers proceeding to England Agreeably to the orders contained in your Letter of the 22d April 1796, are sent in the packets.

113 We inclose Lists of the discharged Men of the Kings and Companys

Service

since who have been embarked on your Ships
Charlton and Asia, as Charter party passengers
for England with their obligations. —

114 By this conveyance we for-
ward a complete Set of our Proceedings on the
Military and Political Department for the
year 1799, with the Broken set from 8 January
last, to the 1st Instant — the whole set of the Pro-
-ceedings of the Military Board for the year
1799, together with the Proceedings of the Me-
-dical Board from the 17th June 1799, to the
8th Instant — —

We have the honor to be
with the greatest respect

Honorable Sirs

your faithful
humble Servants.

Fort St George
14th April 1800.

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/ Signed / Wm Petrie
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Wm Stonage

Military Department.

To the Hon^ble the Court of Directors for affairs of the Hon^ble the United Company of Merchants of England Trading to the

East Indies.

Hon^ble Sirs,

Para 1. Our last address to your Hon^ble Court was dated the 14^th of April last; and we have since had the honor to receive your Dispatches of the 18^th June & 31^st October 1799 which require no particular answer, ~~of the~~ 5^th of March by the Ceres, and of the 3^rd of April by the Cornwallis Packet

Answer to Letter of the 5^th March

Para 1^st & 2^nd dated last advices sent & Received — } 2. Requires no Answer —

Para 3^d Cornet Ove sent Supernumerary to return to the Service } 3 This Officer has, according to your orders, been admitted on the Establishment with the Rank of Captain Lieutenant, which he had attained during his

his absence

Para. 4 & 5. Cadets & Assistant Surgeons Appointed to this Presidency — 4. Requires no reply

Para: 6. The Name of Mr. Mardon to be discontinued on the List of Assistant Surgeons — 5 The Name of Mr. Assistant Surgeon Mardon has been Struck off the List of your Medical Servants under this Presidency, agreeably to your orders.

Para. 7 Appointment of 5 Assistant Surgeons — 6. Requires no Answer.

Para 8 & 9 Difference of Pay in consequence of the late increase paid to the Officers & Men returned to Europe from H. M. Regts according to an enclosed List. Paymasters of Regts to be called upon for a refund if the difference had been drawn on India — 7. The necessary Instructions have been given that the orders of your Honble Court on this Subject may be punctually obeyed.

10. Return of Officers to the Establishment who had been absent on furlough. — 8. Major General Trent and Captain Scott have, agreeably to your orders, been admitted with their rank on the Establishment

Establishment Captain James Hargrave has not yet arrived.

11 Cornet T Walcott permitted to return with his rank - to be called upon to repay by monthly Instalments 50 Guineas advanced to him upon Board.

9 The orders of your Honble Court respecting Cornet T Walcott shall be punctually attended to when that officer arrives.

12 Cadets for the Artillery & Engineer Corps, who are first reported qualified, shall have rank in those Corps without reference to their rank in the General List.

10 We have published this paragraph in General orders to the Army, and shall pay due attention to the Instructions it contains in settling the Rank of the Cadets for the Artillery & Engineer Corps.

13 Lt. Mr. Major H. Court having completed his Studies at Woolwich permitted to proceed to this Presidency.

11. Mr. Major Henry Court has been appointed to the Corps of Artillery.

14 If the money advanced to Capt. Hargrave be not paid into the Treasury three months after his arrival at Madras, a report to be transmitted to England by the earliest opportunity.

12 Your Honorable Courts orders on this subject shall be strictly obeyed.

Answer

Answer to Letter of the 3rd. April

Para 1 Date of last Letter. — 13 Requires no Answer.

2 3 4. 5 6 Respecting Musters of Horse Artillery, obtained from the Board of Ordnance and sent out on the Ceres for Madras and on the Brunswick for Bengal — 14. Copies of these paragraphs have been transmitted to the Military Board

7. The Commander of the Sub Brunswick directed to deliver into the Consignation at Madras Guns supplied to her on the last voyage by the Government of Bombay. — 15 Your orders on this Subject not having been Received untill after the departure of the Brunswick, we had no Opportunity of calling on the Commander of that Ship for the performance of his engagement, & Captain Grant left this place without any communication on the Subject.

8. Medical Servants to enjoy the same indulgence as Military Officers, by reserving, on their return the same rank which they held when they left India, or such as they may have become entitled to, during their absence — 16. We have published this paragraph in General orders to the Army, and shall pay due attention to the Instructions which it Contains.

9 & 10 The appointment of Cadets had been obtained for two Sons of Colonel Wahab provided they should be found fit for the Situation after strict examination

17 We communicated these Paragraphs to the Officer Commanding the Army, and directed him to cause such enquiry to be made into the circumstances of the birth of Colonel Wahab's Sons, as might enable us to confirm or reject their pretensions to the situation to which they had been conditionally appointed by your Honble Court; and from the report which we received from Major General Brathwaite, as recorded in our meeting of the 2nd. September, and our own observation of them, we had no hesitation to admit them Cadets of Infantry on your Military Establishment under this Presidency

11 Captain Dunlop of the Triton had been paid, on his application, £125 for the accommodation of Mr. Surgeon Thompson.

18. Requires no Answer

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Consult 25th Feb. 19. We beg leave to bring under the notice of your Honble Court, a report which we received from the Military Board, on the Reports of the various Committees appointed to examine the Quarters & Barracks, and to ascertain the means of affording cover to the officers & men at the different stations in the Mysore Country. These reports were accompanied by an opinion of Colonel Wellesley, that all the officers serving in the Mysore Country should be placed on tent allowance.

20. The report of the Military Board did not appear to embrace the accomplishment of the two objects which have long occupied our attention, namely, the provision of Quarters for the Troops, and an arrangement for keeping up an establishment of Camp Equipage for such proportion of your Military force as political considerations should render necessary to be employed in the field.

21. Our President brought them under our particular

particular Consideration in a separate minute at our Meeting of the 8th April last, to which we beg leave to refer your Honble Court.

22. His Lordship having entered into detail=ed considerations & calculations, was of opinion that an economical & efficient arrangement might be made for placing the whole of the of=ficers on rent allowance, but on a question of this nature, His Lordship was desirous of obtain=ing the sentiments of the military Board. It has accordingly been referred to that Board; & we shall be prepared to pass a final determina=tion in the plan as soon as its report shall be received.

Council 8th April. 23. We refer to our Resolutions and to the answer to Major General Brathwaites letter of the 8th of April for our reasons for having de==clined to forward to your Honble Court a memo=rial from Captains Lieutenant Crosdell & Dalym=ple of the Artillery, claiming rank of Captain

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24. In consequence of representations from the Board of Revenue, we found it necessary, in the month of April last, to direct the officer Commanding the Northern Division to assemble a force and to act in concert with Mr. Branfill the Collector in suppressing some disturbances in the Polaveram Zemindary, excited by its refractory Zemindar; and we authorized Colonel Vigors to avail himself of the Services of the Bengal Volunteers who had been Halted at Ellore, agreeably to the information conveyed in our letter of the 4th April last, if he should find it necessary to call for their assistance.

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Cons. 27th May

25. We refer your Honble Court to our proceedings for a Detailed account of the operations of the Detachment employed on this Service, and for the Sense we entertained of Colonel Vigors's judicious arrangements in planning

planning the expedition, and of the Zeal & Vi-
gor with which the operations were conducted by
Lieutenant Colonel Gardiner with the Detachments
of Bengal Volunteers, while we were enabled
to employ them upon that Service.

26 In consequence of the positive orders
received from the Most Noble the Governor General
in Council, we gave directions that Lieutenant
Colonel Gardiner should be instructed to proceed
with the Bengal Volunteers on his march towards
Bengal.

Consult 8th April 27. We have permitted Captain Dennes M.
Holford of your Infantry Establishment, in conse-
quence of his own Application, and at the re-
commendation of the officer Commanding the
Army in Chief, to retire on the non effective
List & to be pensioned, after a services of Nineteen
years.

Cons 22nd April 28. In our meeting of the 22nd April, we
took into consideration a letter from the Military
Board

Board, submitting to us two plans which had been laid before them for the repair & reform of the Fortifications of Seringapatam; but at the same time declaring their incompetency to recommend the adoption of either, or to offer an opinion upon the Subject, until they should be assisted by the observations of men of science & experience made upon the spot.

29 We in consequence resolved that Major-General Ross, the Chief Engineer, should be directed to proceed immediately to Seringapatam, and to report his opinions as to the repairs and reforms necessary to be introduced in the works of that important Fortress. We refer to our Proceedings for the Instructions which we judged expedient to give on this occasion to the Chief Engineer for his guidance.

30 In the 56th Paragraph of our despatch of 14th April last, we had the honor to report to your Honble Court the orders which we had

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given for the adjustment of the accounts of Lieu=
=tenant Colonel Read, as far as they were connec=
=ted with the Banyanes which he had engaged, &
with the Bullocks hired by him for carrying sup=
=plies to the grand Army. We now beg leave to
refer to our proceedings for the adjustments which
have in consequence taken place, and which have
been confirmed by our approbation

31. In our meeting of the 22nd April, we com=
=pleted vacancies occasioned in your medical Esta=
=blishment under this Presidency by the permiss=
=ion which we had given to Mr. Raine to proceed
to England on furlough, and by our orders to Mr.
Gahagan to quit India, reported in our Polite=
=cal letter of the 14th April last; & we appointed
Mr. Nuchol Mein to be second Member of the
Medical Board.

32. In our dispatch of the 14th of last April,
we reported the increase which had been made
to the European Artillery Establishment under

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this Presidency: a proportionate addition being re-
-quired to the Corps of Gun Lascars, we accordingly
adopted the suggestions of the Officer Commanding
the Army in Chief by authorizing twelve additio-
Cons. 9th May -al Companies to be formed of the strength of the
old Establishment; three to be attached to each of
the four lately raised Companies of Artillery.

33. Adverting to the change which has lately
taken place in the distribution of the Forces un-
-der this Presidency, consequent to the annexation
of the newly acquired territories, we found it nec-
-sary to determine upon a new arrangement to
fix the Establishment & distribution of Ordnance
officers, Artificers, and the Store & tent Lascar
which your Honorable Court will find fully de-
-tailed in our proceedings, in conformity to the re-
Cons. 6th May -commendation of the Military Board. We hav
selected Capt.n Scott of the Corps of Artillery for th
situation of Commissary of Stores at Chittledr

34. Concurring in the opinion given by

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Major General Brathwaite as to the expediency of the measure, both as it saved time and expense

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we resolved to authorize the purchase of Horses at Hyderabad for the Regiment of Native Cavalry attached to the subsidiary force under certain Regulations & restrictions as detailed in our Minutes.

Cons 9th May

35. In compliance with his request & the recommendation of the officer Commanding the Army in Chief, we permitted Captain Patrick Walker to resign his appointment of Major of Brigade to the 2nd Brigade of Cavalry, in order that he might join his Corps, and we have appointed Lieutenant David Foulis of the 1st Regiment of Native Cavalry to succeed Captain Walker.

36. Having judged expedient to abolish the appointment of Agent of supply at the Presidency, the articles formerly supplied by that officer will now be furnished by contract, and we have accepted the proposals tendered by Mr. Maitland for that purpose.

Cons 6th May

37. In compliance with a communication from the

the Government of Bengal, we directed the a-
-gent for spirituous liquors to be called upon
for information respecting the quantity & qua-
-lity of Bengal Rum required for the consump-
-tion of the Troops on this Establishment, and
Cons 29th April in consequence of his report, we commissioned
60,000 Gallons of that liquor from Bengal, for
which quantity the Agent stated he could find
consumption during the year 1800/1.

38. In the 46th paragraph of our despatch
of the 14th April, we had the honor to report to
your Honble Court that we had engaged two
Transports for the purpose of conveying the Ma-
-rine Battalion to Malacca & the Malacca
Islands, for the relief of the Native Troops
of this Establishment which have been doing
duty so long at those Stations, and we have
communicated to the secret committee our sub-
-sequent proceedings on that Subject.

39. We have the honor to inform you that
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the Marine Battalion sailed from hence under convoy of His Majesty's Ship L'Impetueux on the 10th August last

10. Your Honble Court was informed, by our last dispatch, of the reasons which had induced us to suspend from the service, Major Thos. Hart, who held the appointment of Commissary of Grain to the Army under Lieutenant General Hames, during the expedition against Seringapa-tam. That officer having applied for permission to proceed to England on the Asia, at the time when the Ships which sailed in April last were about to be dispatched, we did not think it consistent with the justice due to the public service to comply with his request till he should give sufficient security for the settlement of his accounts, as well as for the liquidation of whatever Balances may be ultimately adjudged against him, according to the usage of the Service; but on Major Hart's having lodged his own Bond.

Cons 22nd April

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and the collateral security of the House of Colt Baker & Co. for the penal sum of one lac & Eleven thousand Pagodas, permission was granted to him to proceed on the Asia, agreeably to his application.

41. The general insufficiency of our arrangements for the Bullock Department, which your Honble Court will have had occasion to observe, rendered us desirous that the Establishment of Elephants, Camels & Bullocks belonging to the late Tippoo Sultan, should be placed on the most efficient footing. This question has accordingly engaged much attention; & having availed ourselves of the enquiries of the Resident & Commanding Officer in Mysoor, and of the deliberations of the Military Board, we have established detailed regulations for the supply and maintenance of the establishments of Elephants & Bullocks. The establishment of Camels we have judged it advisable to discontinue.

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42. For our proceedings and the regulations for
the fixed of the military equipment, we beg leave
to refer your Honble Court to our minutes noted
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43. We also refer you to our Minutes for the
temporary arrangement which we adopted at the
recommendation of the Military Board for the sup
-ply of Grain for the Cavalry during the present
year

44 We have been induced, in consequence of his
own request & at the recommendation of the officer
Commanding the Army in Chief, to admit Captain
John Butler of the Infantry Establishment on
the non Effective List.

45. In compliance with an application from
the Military Auditor General, we have thought
it necessary to allow that officer a monthly addi
-tion of 75 Pagodas for his office Establishment,
and to authorize his being reimbursed the extra -
sum stated by him to have been paid from his

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48. This claim having been recently renewed we felt it incumbent on us to give a liberal consideration to the grounds on which it is found-ed, and we have in consequence entered into a compromise with the Descendents of the original proprietor for the payment of Star Pagodas 7236, in consideration of which, they have re-linquished all pretension to the building as well as all demand for arrears of rent from a remote period of time.

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refractory Poligars in the Tinnevelly District, we judged it expedient, in justice to this faithful & gallant officer, and as a proper encouragement to the native part of the Service, to publish an approbation of his distinguished conduct in General orders to the Army, and farther to present him with a Sword & Horse, and to give him an addition of 12 Pagodas pr. M. his established subsistence.

Cons 20th May

50. The officer Commanding the Army in Chief having brought under our consideration the unappropriated share of off Reckonings arising from the Cloathing of the Tent & Store Cars, and having suggested that the amount might be devided between the Quarter Master General & the Commissary of ordnance; we rejected this recommendation, considering the salaries paid to the officers holding the appointment of Quarter Master General and Commissaries of Ordnance, to be in all respects adequate

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to the Duties of their respective situations; we — therefore directed that the amount should be paid into the public Treasury.

51. As it become necessary from the very extensive range in which the Paymaster of Seringapatam had to make his disbursements, that he should have an Assistant under him, to superintend those in the Northern District, we deemed it expedient to make such an ap= =pointment, and we accordingly nominated Cap= =tain Alexander Robertson to be Deputy Pay= =master in Mysore

52. The Military Board having submit= =ted to us a set of Regulations drawn up by the Military Auditor General, with a view of establishing every practicable uniformity between the Military Books of this Presidency & those of Fort William, en connection with the Books of the Military Board office, we were of opi= =nion that the Regulations were judiciously

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calculated, not only to introduce uniformity, but to expedite the preparation of the accounts of the Presidency, we therefore resolved that the propos'd Regulations should be immediately adopted and we look forward with confidence to the good effects of these Regulations in the different Departments to which they bear reference

53. At our Consultation of the 27th. May, our President recorded a minute, informing us that he had been so fortunate as to discover the remainder of the family of Syed Ibraham a late Commandant of Cavalry, celebrated for his fidelity & honorable attachment to the British service.

54. Syed Ibraham commanded the Tanjour Cavalry in the year 1781, was made Prisoner during that year, was repeatedly invited by the late Tippoo sultaun to accept service in Mysore under the most brilliant promises, and under the repeated recommendation of his fellow Prisoners, the British officers, until the

release

release in the year 1784: after the release of the British officers, Syed Ibraham was removed to the fort of Cowley Droog, where he suffered the hardships of a rigorous confinement & unwholesome food, intended to have produced that acquiescence which the Sultaun's invitations had failed to procure.

55. As that officer finally sacrificed his life to his principles, we acquiesced most cheerfully in our President's suggestion, and thought it incumbent on the justice of this Government to rescue his family from the poverty & distress into which his attachment to the Company has thrown it. At the same time we were sanguine that the liberal consideration which we resolved to give to this singular case, would attract the attention of the native Army, and evince to them that no distance of time nor change of circumstances can suppress the claims of merit & loyalty under the liberal policy of a British Government.

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56. We accordingly resolved, in order to manifest our respect for the long services, the exemplary virtue, and unimpregnable fidelety of Syed Ibraham, that the amount of his pay as Commandant of Cavalry, being fifty two & an half pagodas per month, should be conferred, as a pension for life, on his sister, who left her house in the Carnatic to share his misfortunes in captivity, and who was subsequently wounded in the storm of Seringapatam.

57. And with a view to perpetuate our sense of the Syed's truth & attachment to the Company's service, we farther resolved & directed a tomb to be erected to his memory, with an Establishment of two Lamps, according to the rites of the Mahometan Religion

58. We have appointed Lieutenant John Cobbett to be Quarter Master & Captain Lieutenant Denton to be Gram Agent to the 1st. Regiment of Native Cavalry.

Cons 3rd. June

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59. We judged it expedient, in June last to assemble a small Detachment for field service in the Tanjour country, the command of which we entrusted to Lieutenant Colonel Dyce, for the purpose of giving every assistance which may be required to support the Civil authority of the Company in establishing a new system of internal Government, founded on the late Treaty with his Excellency the Rajah Sherfoge.

60. We beg leave to refer your Honble Court to our letters from the Political & Revenue Departments by this despatch for details of the accomplishment of this object, and as the presence of the Troops became no longer necessary in the field, orders have been given for their return into Cantonment.

61. Captain James Geekie of the Cavalry having applied through the channel of the officer commanding the Army in Chief to be transferred to the non effective Establishment, after a

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service of Twenty one Years, we have been in-
-duced to comply with his request, and further
to permit that officer to proceed to Europe on
furlough for the recovery of his health.

62. We have appointed Lieutenant de Havilan
of the Engineers to be adjutant to that Corps.

63. Your Honble Court will be informed in
our letter by this despatch in the Political De-
-partment of the augmentation which has bee
made to the Military Establishment under this
Presidency, and of the motives which induced the
augmentation. We beg leave to refer your Hon
Cons: 17th June able Court to our minutes for the detailed ar-
-rangements which took place in consequence.

64. The motives which induced us to reform
the Secretary's Department have been fully ex-
-plained to the secret Committee in our over-
-land despatch of the 1st July last.

65. One of the arrangements which took
G: O: 20th June place on that occasion was the appointment
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of Major Robert Turing of the Infantry Establishment to be Secretary to Government in the Military Department.

66. It has already been reported to your Honorable Court that we had found it expedient to appoint Lieutenant Colonel Dallas to relieve Lieutenant Colonel Doveton in the command of Vellore & to assume the other duties now incident to that station. Under the peculiar circumstances at present connected with the command of the fort of Vellore from it being allotted as the place of residence to the Sons of the late Tippoo Sultaun, we were induced to comply with an application from Lieutenant Colonel Dallas transmitted through, and recommended by the officer Commanding the Army in Chief, to have the assistance of a Town Major at Vellore, and have accordingly appointed Lieutenant Alexander Grant of the Infantry Establishment to that station.

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67. We had the honor to report in our Despatch of 15th April last that we had seen no reason, after further enquiry into the circumstances of the case, to alter our opinion as to the expediency & justice of suspending Captain Bond of the Engineer Corps from the service. That officer having represented to us that the bad state of his health rendered a change of climate necessary, and having transmitted with his representation a surgeon's Certificate of his indisposition, we accordingly gave him permission to proceed to the Cape of good hope, and we authorized the allowances granted to him, but subject to the approval of your Honble Court, to be paid to his family in India: informing him at the same time, that the continuance of this allowance must depend on your pleasure.

68. In the 62nd & 63rd paragraphs of our letter of the 14th April last from this Department we had the honor of reporting to your Honble Court

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the circumstances which had induced us to order the conduct of Captain George Johnston of the corps of Engineers to be investigated before a military tribunal by the sentence of the General Court Martial which was assembled for his trial, he was cashiered, and the sentence was approved by Major General Brathwaite

69. We have since received an address from Mr. Johnston, copy of which, at his earnest solicitation, makes a number in this packet, together with our Answer

70. Our Consultations of the 10th June & 22d July and Diary to consultation of the 29th July and contain what has passed between Mr. Johnston & this Government, since the period of his suspension. 5 & 9 & 12 Sept

71. The outrage committed by Mr. Johnston rendered it indispensibly necessary to assert the authority of the civil power; & the sentence of

of his brother officers has been conformable to our own opinion of his Conduct We cannot therefore regret the example which has been made by his Dismission. at the same time it is proper to observe that his errors are not attri-butable to any defect of his military character we are therefore induced to submit to your Ho-nble Court the representation which he has ma-de of his services, & his claim to the pecuniary in-dulgence of your Honble Court.

72. We received an application from His Excellency vice admiral Drummond that his Ma-jesty's Ships should be supplied with medicines from the Company's Stores, and having ascertain-ed that the extent of your medical stores ena-bled us to comply with His Excellency's wishes, we gave orders for this purpose, & for the ad-justment of the value of the medicines accord-ing to the forms established for settling the account of all other Stores supplied for the use

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of His Majesty's navy. Having however understood that objections existed against that mode of arrang-ment, because a specific allowance is granted to the surgeons of the King's Ships for the supp-ply of medicines, we have informed His Excellen-cy of the impossibility of our issuing your me-dical Stores without compensation for the value of them; until your pleasure should be known, but in order to facilitate the supply of Medi-cines for the King's ships, we have authorized the surgeons to purchase them at your dispen-satory at reasonable prices

73. We have complied with the wishes of His Excellency Admiral Rainier respecting the purchase of the ordnance Stores found on board two Captured Vessels which he had judged expedient to take into His Majesty's service-

74. We have taken frequent occasion to bring under the notice of your Honble Court the great want of European Officers to complete your Establishments

Establishments under this Presidency. This want has been more severely felt since the successes of your Arms in this Country have rendered a great increase of your Military Establishments absolutely necessary, and at this time, the scarcity of officers is an evil which calls loudly for a speedy remedy, without which the Inefficiency of the Troops will be found to suffer most materially.

75. Influenced by this consideration, Major General Braithwaite has, with an honorable & disinterested Zeal, recommended the abolition of the appointment of Adjutant & Quarter Master to the native Regiments, in order that the officers who held those situations, and who were generally of some standing and possessed professional experience, might return to their Regimental duties. We refer to our minutes for the manner in which this measure was adopted.

Cons: 24th June

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76 The Committee appointed, as reported to your Honble Board in our dispatch of 22nd January last, for the revision of the Military Establishments under this Presidency, of which Major General Braithwaite is President, having also recommended the abolition of the appointment of Fort Adjutant at several stations, the Fort adjutancies of Arnee, Hutnaghury, Madura, Palamcottah, Dendigul & Carroor were in consequence abolished.

Cons 22nd July

77. A letter from the most noble the Governor General in Council informed us that a promotion had taken place, by authority of your Honble Court, of subaltern officers on the Bengal Establishment who were Cadets of the season 1782, to the rank of Captain by Brevet, from the 8th of January 1793.

Cons. 1st July

78. The Governor General in Council having in the same letter expressed himself satisfied that it could not have been the

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intention of your Honble Court that the brevet promotion should be confined to the officers of that Establishment who were Cadets of the season 1782, whilst there were officers who were Cadets of that season at the other Presidencies, who had not attained the rank of Captains in the Army at so early a period as the 8th of January 1798, His Lordship therefore authorized us to make a similar promotion on this Establishment, provided we should not be aware of any objection to the measure.

79. We accordingly, in justice to the officers of this Presidency, gave the rank of Captain by Brevet from the 8th of January 1798 to all those who were Cadets of the season 1782 and had not attained at so early a period as the 8th of January 1798 the rank of Captain in the Army.

80. As we shall consider the arrangement by which Major Robert Turing was appointed

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to be Secretary to Government in the Milita=
ry Department to be temporary, until the
pleasure of your Honble Court shall be known
and as we do not think it just to that of=
ficer to deprive him entirely of the distin=
-guished situation which he held on the
General staff of the Army, we called upon
Major General Braithwaite to recommend an
Dia to Cons 1st July officer to act as Deputy Quarter Master General
until further orders, and in consequence of his
recommendation, Captain Thomas Wilson was ap
=pointed to that situation.

81. We have appointed Captains P. Walker
& William Macgregor to be subordinate agents
for Cavalry supplies, the former to the 4th &
the latter to the 7th Regiment of Native
Cavalry.

82 We have appointed Captain Robert
Shaw to be muster Master on the southern
Division vice Wilson

Lieutenant

83. Lieutenant James Grant has been ap-
-pointed Aid de Camp to the Right Honble the
Governor, vice Turing.

84. We have appointed Lieutenant John
Munro to be Deputy secretary to the Milita
Board vice Grant, and Captain Lieutenant
John Colebrooke to be subordinate agent for
Cavalry supplies to the 5th Regiment of Na
-tive Cavalry, vice Geekie.

85. We have appointed Captain Wille
-am Berkeley to be Post Master with the su
-sidiary force, vice Boardman.

86. We have permitted Captain Leith to
resume his appointment of Judge Advocate
General, and appointed him Persian Inter
-preter to the Head Quarters of the Army.

87. We have permitted Captain Lieu
-tenant Mackay of the Artillery to resign
the service, and have ordered him to proceed
to England on the Ship Triton.

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88. We have, at his own request, and the recommendation of the officer Commanding the Army in Chief, transferred Captain Lieutenant Russell of the Artillery to the pension List—

89. A second Muster Master having been found necessary for the due performance of the duty of mustering the Troops & different Establishment in the Mysore Country, we have appointed Lieutenant John Fitzpatrick to that situation.

90. We have appointed Captain Thompson to be Major of Brigade to the officer commanding the Northern Division, vice Munro.

91. We earnestly beg leave to call the attention of your Honble Court to the address which we have received from the Physician General, & second Member of the Medical Board, representing the insufficiency of the salaries which they and the Head surgeons

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receive

receive, when compared with the allowances en-
joyed by persons holding similar appointments
in Bengal & on Ceylon, and by Members of
other public Boards and Individuals employed
in responsible situations under this Presidency
all of which have been considerably improved
since the year 1786; while their situations also
appear precluded from any participation in
those advantages derived to the state from
the very great, brilliant & important success
which have attended your arms since that
period, by which successes their professional
duties have no doubt been encreased in pro-
portion to the great augmentation which has
taken place in our Military Establishments.

92. In this address, the Medical Board
have stated the disproportion between their
income & that of the Medical Board in Ben-
gal, a disproportion equal to the amount
of the whole of the former. The salaries of

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both Boards have indeed been fixed according to your orders of the 21st September 1785; but the nature of the establishments in Bengal has admitted of considerable advantages from extraneous duties, and as the aggregate amount was made the foundation on which the income of the late Physician on Ceylon was fixed, the whole may be considered to be incorporated as the fixed allowance of the Medical Gentlemen in Bengal.

93. The regulations of the Medical Department at this Presidency preclude the possibility of any addition to the salaries of the Members of the Medical Board. These salaries being scarcely adequate to the support of indispensible expenses at the Presidency, we consider to be inconsistent with the liberal policy which has been introduced into the Government of India, for it is manifest that they do not enable the Gentlemen who may have arrived at the head of a liberal profession, either to provide an adequate fortune

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for the support of themselves in their Native Country, or to support the rank which they actually hold in your service.

94. Under these Circumstances, we should have been disposed to grant immediate relief by an augmentation of the salaries of the Members of the Medical Board; but we were restrained by the very positive terms in which your Honble Court, in your despatch of the 25th July 1798, had refused compliance with a similar application from the Medical Board. And although we feel great reluctance in pressing on your attention a point which you have already rejected, we are sanguine that under the change of circumstances which have occurred since the institution of the Medical Department on its present footing, your Honble Court will concur with us in the justice and expediency of relieving so respectable a branch of your establishment from its present humiliating condi-

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rid of advancing it to a footing with those of equal labour, responsibility and importance.

dated 15th July

95 The officer Commanding the Army in Chief having brought under our consideration the youth on General of the Gentlemen Cadets, arrived on the last ships, who, from the many vacancies in the service, must be appointed to the different Regiments as Lieutenants, and having therefore recommended that they should be formed for the present into a Company under the controul of a careful and experienced officer, for the purpose of being instructed in their duty, previously to their appointment to the different Regiments, we entirely approved the plan suggested by Major General Brathwaite and have stationed them at Chinglepet.

96. We appointed Captain Charles Armstrong of your Infantry Establishment to the command of the company of Cadets and of Chinglepet, being an officer recommended to us by Major

General

General Brathwaite as well qualified, in all respects, for this trust.

97. We authorized and directed General Brath=waite to give such Instructions to Captain Arm=strong, and to afford him such aid by furnish=ing him with assistants in the drill, with Arms, accoutrements &C.ª as he might judge best calculated to enable him to discharge the duties entrusted to him.

98. As all the Gentlemen forming the Company of Cadets would have joined the differ=ent Regiments as Lieutenants, we resolved that when they shall be appointed to that rank they shall have the same dates of Commission to which they would have been entitled to if this arrangement had not been adopted, and that they should, in the meantime receive the pay of Lieu=tenants. This will enable them to provide them selves with such Articles of equipment as may be necessary to join the Corps to which they

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may be respectively appointed at distant stations a
fter the rainy season is over, for the strictest econo
-my has been recommended to their observance in
their present expenses

99. We have permitted Captain Chas. Armstrong
to draw the pay and allowances of Major instead
of those of his own rank, during the period he
may be continued in his present situation

Cons. 15th July 100. The Military Paymaster General having
represented to us that the Paymasters of stations
would be subject to severe losses, unless some ar=
=rangement should be made to fix responsibility
on the Paymasters of Regiments in His Majesty's
service, for the amount of such Retrenchments
as might be made from their abstracts on acco.
of Company's allowances, we were induced to pu
-blish the order of the 18th July, to which we
beg leave to refer your Honble Court for our re
=gulations on this subject.

Cons 22d July 101. At the request of His Excellency Vice

Admiral

Admiral Rainier, we ordered Fifty five invalid
seamen to be received on board the China ships
which sailed from Bengal in August last as
Charter party Passengers for Europe.

'02. We were induced to deviate on this instance
from the ordinary mode of sending invalids on
the direct Ships, by our earnest desire of accommo
dating his Majesty's service; and by the ready
means which it afforded of augmenting the de
ficient crews of these valuable Ships

'03. The heavy loss which the Company sus
tained, by the rate of exchange at which pay
ments were made to the Troops in the Southern
Provinces, is a subject which has, for some time
past, occupied our attention; and we had accord
ingly ordered such investigations to be made
on this important subject as might enable us
to fix the exchange on a fair and permanent
footing; and we have since established such a
rate of exchange as we trust is calculated to

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secure the troops against injury and at the same time to save the company from a heavy and unnecessary loss. We are aware however that the removal of this ~~serious~~ evil can only be effected by a thorough reform of the coinage under this Presidency.

as 5 August 1864. The officer Commanding the Army in Chief having represented to us that very inconvenient delays occurred in supplying clothing for the Army, owing to the difficulty of procuring Cloth from the Company's Stores; we came to the resolution of ordering the Board of Trade to arrange that a quantity of Cloth, sufficient to Clothe the whole Army for a period of of Two years, should always be reserved in the Company's Warehouses to answer emergencies.

105. Messrs. G. Poignand and R. B Scott, who arrived last season, and produced Certificates of their appointment to be Cadets of Infantry for this Establishment, have been, at the recommendation

recommendation of the senior officer of Artillery transferred to the Corps of Artillery.

Com 12th August 106. Hes Majestys Ship Arrogant having captured and brought into this place the Privateer L'Ure, we have directed that the French officers shall receive the usual allowances, and that the men landed from L'Ure shall be subsisted at the rates usual on similar occasions.

Com 5th August 107. We had much pleasure in receiving a very favorable report of the size, appearance and condition of two Colts reared at the Company's stud, and sent by the Superintendant from Gunjam to be examined by the Military Board, previously to their being transferred to the Cavalry.

108. We have permitted Captain Nagle to withdraw his application for leave to proceed to England.

109. We have appointed Mr. William Gordon

Gordon to be Paymaster at Masulipatam vice Ram, who has applied for leave to proceed to Europe on account of ill health.

16th June

110. We applied to his Excellency the Governor of Ceylon to know if he would have it in his power to provide us with any Elephants, and to what extent, from that Island, to enable us to keep up the Establishment of those useful Animals upon which we had resolved; and the answer we received was perfectly consistent with that desire which Mr. North has on all occasions evinced to cooperate most cordially with this Government in every measure which has the public service for its object.

Cons 5th Augt.

111 We have since heard, in consequence of Mr. North's instructions to the Collector of Jaffnapatam, that Eight Elephants were kept in readiness at that place for the service of the Coast. and we have accordingly requested that five of that number, which from their size

Cons 26th Augt.

were

were thought fit for the service, might be
sent to the East with all practicable expedit
112. We have already pointed out to the notice
of your Honble Court the delay of filling up
vacancies on this Establishment occasioned by
the Death, Resignation, or Retirement of offi
cers in Europe.

Com: 26 Aug 113. This case has been recently brought
under our consideration in the most forcible
manner by the officer Commanding the Army
in Chief, who has laid before us credible in=
=formation of the certainty of Colonel Alexan=
=der Wynch and Captain Sir John Cox having
retired from your service,

114 Although the promotion of officers to
vacancies happening in Europe, is not authori=
=zed by your orders; yet the peculiar manner
in which the interests of the Army are
affected in the delicate and important point
of rank, by the delay of official communicatio

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has induced us to take upon ourselves when-
-ever it has been practicable, the responsibe-
-lity of anticipating the orders of your Honble
Court. and as the delaying to a farther pe-
-riod the promotions consequent to the retire-
-ment of Colonel Wynch and Captain Sir John
Cox, would have borne particularly hard up-
on three very deserving officers, we were in-
duced to call upon Major General Brathwaite
to submit to us his recommendation for pro-
Sanctions 29th Augt motion to fill up their vacancies, and we
have accordingly authorized the necessary promo-
-tion to take place.

115 We cannot dismiss this subject without
earnestly pressing upon your attention, and re-
-commending for the confirmation of your
Honble Court, the mode judiciously pointed
out by Major General Brathwaite, in his
Letter of the 25th August last, for remedy-
-ing a defect in the system of your new

Militia

Military arrangements which tends to depriv
your officers of their just claim to promotion,
arising from eventual casualties in the service,
till they find that they are too frequently
subjected to the most discouraging mortification
of seeing themselves superceded by their Juniors,
not only in their own line of the service, but
by officers in His Majesty's Regiments, which
now constitute so considerable a part of your
Army on this Establishment.

116. We refer your Honble Court to the letters
marked in the Margin to and from the Mi-
litary Board, for the arrangements which
took place with respect to the embarkation
of the Marine Battalion for the relief of the
Native Troops doing duty at Malacca and
the Moluccas Islands, and the different arti-
cles of supply for those stations.

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117. We have appointed Colonel Daniel Burr
to relieve Lieutenant-Colonel MacNeil in the

Command

command of Amboyna and the Molucca Islands, the latter having applied for leave to return to the Coast on account of ill health.

118 Ensign Malton of the Engineer Corps having applied to be removed to the Infantry, and the officer Commanding the Army having recommended that his request should be com-plied with, that officer has accordingly been
Cons 2nd Sept. transfered to the Infantry Establishment from the date of his application, which places him below all the Cadets lately arrived.—

119. We have received a letter from Ma-
Cons 2nd Sept. -jor General Braithwaite, representing the very great inconvenience resulting from the rank of Cadets being settled in England, since the introduction of Regimental rise in the army. we beg leave to submit the General's argu-ments on this subject, as contained in his letter of the 2nd. September last, to the consider-ation of your Honble Court.

120 We concur entirely in General Brathwa
-ite's view of the inconvenience, arise the Establish=
ment of regimental rank, to be felt from the usu
al mode of fixing the rank of Cadets at a dis=
-tance of three or four years from the time of
their appointment, and we therefore recommend
that in future, Cadets shall take rank in the
line as well as in their Corps from the time of
their arrival in India.

121. At our meeting of the 9th Septem
ber, we received with much satisfaction from
the Medical Board, a report of the great suc
-cess of Mr. Head Surgeon Richardson in intro
-ducing the practice of inoculation for the small
pox amongst the Natives in the Trichinopoly
Country.

122. The great mortality occasioned every
season amongst the Inhabitants of this Country
by the small pox is an evil of such serious
magnitude that too much attention and —

encouragement

encouragement cannot be given to lessen the me-
-lancholy consequences; for there cannot be a doub
that many thousand lives would be saved annu
-ally if the prejudices of the Natives did not
so strongly oppose the introduction of the prac
-tice of inoculation. The success however which
has fortunately attended Mr. Richardson's
very humane and most commendable exertions
will probably convince the natives of the adva
-tage of having their children inoculated; and
we shall give every encouragement to those
Gentlemen in the Medical line who so use-
-fully devote a portion of their time as Mr. Ri-
-chardson has done.

123. We have taken much pains to
give every possible publicity to Mr. Richard-
-son's report throughout the Country, and we
have granted a compensation of five hundred
pagodas to that Gentleman for the extra-
-ordinary expense and trouble incurred by him

in this useful project.

124. We beg leave to call the particular attention of your Honble Court to the suggestions contained in the letter to the Medical Board from the Medical Store Keeper, relative to the mode of supplying medicines in future for the use of this Presidency, under date the 18th September last, copy of which makes a number in this packet.—

125. We request that the Indent forwarded in our despatch of 22nd January last, for medicines for the year 1801, may be encreased by one third of the quantities therein specified.

126. We also recommend that positive directions may be given to those who superintend the package of the Medicines, to be most careful how this is performed, both to prevent losses similar to those which are stated to have been sustained, and to

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guard against the very dangerous effects of flame, which is likely to be produced if the careless mode, now observed, be persevered in of packing up the mineral acids in the same cases with the most combustible Materials.

127. Having had much reason to be satisfied with the Zeal and activity which has been shewn by Captain Symons in settling the compliated accounts of the Brinjaries and several Bullock owners who were employed under the general superintendance of Lieutenant Colonel Read during the last war, which he had brought to a conclusion in a most clear and perspicuous manner, we have appointed that officer, at the recommendation of the Military Board, to superintend the adjustment of the Bullock accounts of the grand Army.

128. The Widow of the late John Potts Conductor of ord.nce, having produced the

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necessary Certificates and taken the prescribed oath, has been admitted a Pensioner on Lord Clive's fund.

129. Captain George Hepburn of the 5th Regiment of Cavalry has been admitted on the pension list at his own request, supported by the recommendation of the officer Commanding the Army in Chief.

130. We have granted a receipt in triplicate to the Contractor for victualling his Majesty's Ships in the East Indies for the salt provisions furnished by him, on receipt to the Garrison store Keeper, copy of which makes a number in this packet, for the information of your Honble Court; and we request that the amount may be adjusted in the usual manner with the officers of the victualling department.

131. To the officers of the Bengal Establishment, who are obliged on account

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of ill health to proceed to the Cape of Good Hope, are permitted to draw their Regimental Pay and allowances the same as if they had not quitted India; we have deemed it expedient to extend the same indulgence to the officers under this Presidency who may be similarly situated; and beg leave to refer your Honble Court to our minutes and to the Regulations which we have established in consequence.

Cons 19th Augt 132 We received an address from ten Dutch officers and Cadets, Prisoners of War, requesting that they might be permitted to return to Batavia on their parole of honor.

133. We were induced to comply with their request, and permitted them to draw, previously to their departure, the allowances which they received as Prisoners of War, to the 31st of October last.

134 We have the honor to enclose a List of French officers Prisoners of War who

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who proceed by our authority on the Ships Fredon and Queen, now under Despatch. The Commanders of those Ships have been paid passage money for those officers agreeably to the sums stated opposite to their Names in the List, at the bottom of which is mar-ked the period to which they have received their subsistence as Prisoners of War.

135 Among the prisoners, your Honora-ble Court will observe Mr. Chapuy, Chief of Brigade, who commanded the French troops in the service of the late Tippoo Sultaun, at the time of that Prince's death; and Mr. Dubuc, who had been employed by the Sultaun on the negotiation of his engagements with the French government at the Isle of France. Mr Dubuc was also charged with despatches to the French Directory by Tippoo Sultaun at the commencement of the late War.

136. In consequence of the orders

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received from your Honble Court, we have again referred to the examination of your Military Auditor General, the claim of Mr. Digby for the removal of a retrenchment made against him. of Major General Sydenham's report, we enclose a copy a number in the packet for your consideration, and think it necessary to add our concurrence in the opinion of that officer that the authority appears to have been sufficient for entertaining the number of bullocks charged for, but it remains to be proved that the number actually charged for were employed in the Company's service; but as no investigation in India can now establish the truth of that fact, your Honble Court will be the best judges how far that deficiency can be supplied by the affidavit of Mr. Digby.

137. Whatever may be your decision on this question, It is necessary to apprize your Honble Court that an unadjusted balance of Star Pagodas 6,798 31. 79 stands against Mr. Digby

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on the books of this Presidency. We enclose a number on the packet copy of a report from the Military paymaster General on the origin of this balance, with the papers connected with it, in order that your Honble Court may have the means of adjusting the amount with Mr. D -by.

138. In our Letter from this depart = ment of the 14th April last, we had the honor of apprizing your Honble Court that circumstances had been communicated to us by His Excellency the Governor of Ceylon which tended to impeach in a very serious degree the integrity of Mr. Edward Atkinson's Conduct in the office of Com -missary at Colombo.

139. Having since instituted, through the channel of the Military Board, an enqui -ry into the account and charges of Mr. Atkin -son, we are concerned to acquaint you that the first impression on our minds has been confirmed

confirmed; and that the conduct of that officer has been inconsistent with an honorable discharge of his public duties. on the establishment of this fact, we should not have hesitated to suspend Mr. Atkinson from your service; but as the circumstances of his delinquency are more immediately connected with the administration of affairs on Ceylon, we have thought it more adviseable not to anticipate the result of your deliberations on the despatches of His Excellency the Governor. but if they should corroborate the opinion now stated to you, we can have no hesitation in recommending that Mr. Atkinson should be dismissed from your service.

40. Referring your Honble Court to our proceedings on this subject, we beg leave to enclose numbers in the packet, copy of a report recently received from the Military Board, and of two explanatory letters

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received from Mr. Atkinson.

141. We have permitted Mr. Atkinson, under the circumstances above stated, to proceed to England by this opportunity; having taken ample security for the retrenchments now standing against him to the amount of twenty five thousand Star Pagodas.

142. We have permitted the following officers to proceed to Europe on furlough.

Major R. Powis	Infantry
Captain H. Nash	Ditto
Captain W. Davison	Ditto
Captain John Molloy	Ditto
Captain W. Godfrey	Invalid
Captain James Gerkie	Ditto
Lieutenant M. Hutchins	Infantry
Lieutenant I. Hawkins	Ditto
Lieutenant Charles Hamilton	Cavalry
Lieutenant R. Bryant	Ditto
Lieutenant H. O'Donnell	Ditto

Ensign

Ensign William Gerard Engineers

Wm. Assistant Surgeon Moodie.

143 The following Casualties have happened in your Army since our last Dispatch

Major James Rogers . . .	Infantry
Captain Roulston Robertt .	Ditto
Captain Robert McCully . .	Ditto
Captain Anslow Grose	Ditto
Captain Lieutenant William Racroke .	Ditto
Lieutenant George Pippard .	Ditto
Lieutenant Thomas Spencer . .	Ditto
Lieutenant Morgan Hubert	Ditto
Lieutenant Edward Gilchrist .	Ditto
Lieutenant William Henry Potter .	Ditto
Major Alexander Watson	Cavalry
Captain William Stretch .	Ditto
Lieutenant Richard Jones . . .	Ditto
Lieutenant James Palmer . . .	Ditto
Captain Lieutenant Thomas Wood . . .	Engineers

144. The Military Auditor General has

has laid before us, for transmission to your Honble Court, the Annual Statement and Analysis of the expenses of the Military Establishments of this Presidency as they stood on the 30th April 1800. The result of the statement in Comparison with that for the year 1798/9, is as follows,

	1798/9	1799/800
Establishments	38,54,817..36..58	51,28,855..34..45
Extra Charges	17,96,286..33..60	8,91,509..3..12
	56,51,104 28. 38	60,20,364..37..57

145. We beg leave to refer your Honorable Court to the letter from the Auditor General prefixed to the statement, for an explanation of the increase of expenses in comparison with the year 1798/9, Amounting to Pagodas 3,69,260-9-19, and for an estimate of the probable expenses of the Military establishments for the year 1800/1.-

146. The assiduity and attention, which Major General Sydenham continues to pay to the duties of the office of auditor, are extremely

extremely satisfactory to us, honorable to himself and useful to the public interests.

147. We have the honor to transmit the following accounts in continuation of Money advanced to French, Dutch and Spanish Prisoners of War.

To French Prisoners from 1st Novr 1799 to 30th April 1800	24,055.-.-
To Dutch Ditto .... Ditto	4279-1-6
To Spanish Ditto from 1st July 1799 to 30th April 1800	403-5-4

148. We have also the honor to transmit statements of disbursements to french and Dutch subjects from October 1799 to the 30th April 1800, the former Amounting to Pagodas 10,560-13-58 the latter to Pagodas 3,458-31-56.—

149. We transmit a Statement of the Advances which have been made on account of Passage Money to the officers of his Majesty's and the Company's Service, as well as to the Prisoners

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of War and to others, proceeding to Europe.

150. We forward to your Honorable Court the following Papers received from the Military Board at this Presidency.

"A Statement of Military Stores supplied from the Arsenal of Fort St. George and from subordinate Magazines at out stations, to His Majesty's Regiments serving under this Presidency, from the 1st May 1799 to the 30th April 1800."—

"A Statement of Military Stores received into the Arsenal of Fort St. George and in the subordinate Magazines at the out stations upon the Coast &c. from His Majesty's Regements serving under this Presidency, from 1st May 1799 to the 30th April 180

"His Majesty's Regiments in Account Current with the Presidency of Fort St. George in the year 1799/800."—

151. We forward an Account of Military Stores supplied from the Arsenal at this Presidency to His Majesty's Ships from the 1st Feb

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to the 30th April 1800, accompanied by original re=
=ceipts.

152. We transmit Certificates of the Ordnance, Musketry and Meletary Stores landed at this Presidency from your ships the Alfred, Bri=
=tannia, Lord Thurlow, Manship, Marquess of Lans=
=downe, Minerva, Preston, Rose, William Pitt, Ju=
Burton, Boddam, Lady Burgess, Lord Nelson, Walthamstow, Brunswick and Ceres.—

153. The Certificates of Pay and Furlough of officers proceeding to England, Agreea=
=bly to the orders contained in your Letter of the 22nd April 1796, are sent on the Packet.

154. We have the honor to trans=
=mit for your information, copy of the Proceedings of a Genral Court Martial received from the Acting Judge Advocate General.

155. We send on the Book Packet a list of your officers on this establishment, with the promotions and appointments brought

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up to the 3rd Instant, and a General Monthly return of His Majesty's and the Honorable Company's troops on the Coast.

156. We enclose Lists of the discharged men of the Kings and — Company's service who have been embarked on the Ships Triton and Queen as Charter Party Passengers for England, with their obligation.

157. Our Chief Secretary, on the 9th August and 2nd Sept. last, forwarded, by our orders, to the secretary of your Honorable Court, Lists and obligations of the Charter Party Passengers embarked on the ships Brunswick, Ceres, Marquis of Wellesley, Earl St Vincent, Walthamstow, Lord Nelson, and Apollo. Duplicates whereof we have now the honor to transmit.

158 By this conveyance, we forward the Bookes set of our Proceedings in the Military and Political Departments. from 2nd April to the 20th June; and in the Military Department from 21st June to the 16th September last, together with the whole set of the Proceedings of the Military Board for the year 1799.—

We have the honor to be
with the greatest respect,
Honorable Sirs,
Your faithful Humble Servants,

Fort St George
9th October 1800.—

/Signed/ Clive
Wm Petrie
E W Fallofield

To the

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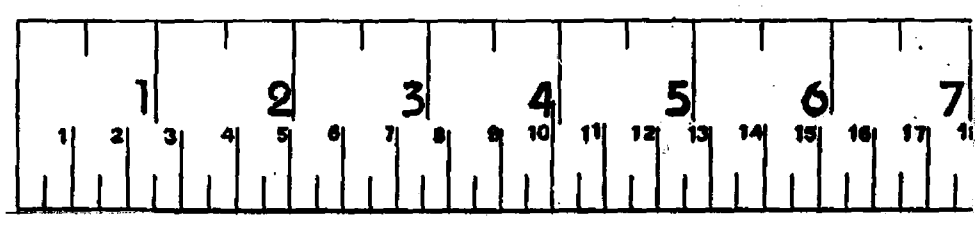

Political Department

To the Honble the Court of Directors for affairs of the Honble the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies

Honble Sirs

Para 1. Our last address to your Honble Court from this department was dated 14th February, since which we have received your despatches of the 4th October 1797, and shall now reply to them in the usual manner.—

Answer to letter 4th October 1797.

Para. 1 date of last despatches ..... 2. Needs no reply

3 French and dutch Prisoners recommended that measures be taken for reducing the expences. 3 We had, hitherto, though ourselves restrained by your Honble Courts letter of 6th April 1796 (Paragraph 20th) from taking any measures relative to the Prisoners of war, but on the discretionary latitude now granted us, we had

had resolved to adopt means for sending a
considerable part of the French Prisoners to
the Mauritius. Before however we had an
opportunity of carrying our intention into effe
we received intelligence of such a change of
circumstances, at the Island, as rendered it
impossible. The resolution adopted by the colon
=al assembly for sending the whole of their
Military to old France with a view to their
internal tranquility, and the release of the
english Prisoners left us no hope that they
would renew the cartel before established or
receive the french Prisoners who were chiefly
Soldiers composed of the garrison of Pondich
=ry, if we should send them without previ=
=ous communication. We are convinced that
we have yet had no other way of diminish=
=ing their expences. —

5. Respecting
5. Modification of
the Lunéville Treaty
Sentence of the
Council will be com
municated in a
Separate dispatch

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subsequent

subsequent part of this letter.

6 The table money due to the late Lieut Col Maxwell to be paid to his representatives.

5. Upon reference to the records it appears that the late Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell was employed as the medium of public communication between this Government and the Rajah of Tanjour from the 17th October 1793 to 3d June 1794 or 230 days & we have therefore ordered the amount of table money for this period being Pagodas 1150 to be paid to the legal representatives in India of the late Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell.

7 approves the allowance granted to the Tanjour family in lieu of paddy & the subject of the Tanjour succession will be fully discussed in a separate dispatch

8 Proposed modifications of the treaty with the Nabob to form the subject of a separate dispatch

6. These Paragraphs require no particular remark.

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upon

11. The amount of the Nabob's donation to the family of the late Lall Doss has been heard to them

12. The court admit the propriety of the Nabob's making his communications to the Supreme Government through the channel of this Presidency

1/ Upon reference to the Governor General's letter entered on the proceedings of 16th August 1796. the Honble Court will observe that the Nabob has been required to adopt this rule, in his correspondence with the Supreme Government.-

2. With our last dispatches, however, we transmitted an address from his Highness direct to the Honble Court, without receiving any communication of its contents our reasons for doing so upon that particular occasion are explained in a letter from our Secretary to Mr. Secretary Ramsay; and we shall now beg leave to add that

his

his Highness has taken no notice of our application to be furnished with a copy of that letter —

13 The Court have submitted to his Majesty's principal Secretary of State the representations of this Government relative to the protection afforded pirates and to other acts of the Government of Persian Gueber inconsistent with the laws of neutrality

9. The continuation of these abuses, which have already been reported to your Honble Court renders us extremely anxious for the result of your reference to His Majesty's ministers. —

14 & 15. Shall reply
16 The proposed modification of the treaty of 1792 will be reflected to in a separate dispatch. —
17. Shall reply

10. These Paragraphs require no answer. —

18 The Court confirm the adoption of a son by the widow of the late Jahgeerdah of Arnee

11 We are happy that our determination upon this subject has met the approval of your Honble Court

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19 approbation of the measures adopted by this Government to rescue the family of Ram Rooa from the destruction and chiefly of the Rubob;

12. It was impossible to resist the calls of humanity and justice for our interposition between the family of the late Ram Rooa and his Highness the Rabob; and being fully persuaded that any previous communication with his Highness would have been attended with the certain defeat of the object we had in view, we feel much satisfaction in the approbation which your Honble Court have been pleased to express of the measures adopted by us.-

13. With respect to your observation on the evil consequences resulting, as well to the Rabobs peace of mind, as to the public interests, from the employment

employment of Europeans in his correspondence with the Company's Government, it is only for us to lament His Highness's inattention to the advice repeatedly given him on this subject.

14 It is certainly an evil too long experienced, but, while his Highness remains restrained by a sense of his own dignity, or of his alliance with the Company from countenancing adventurers of this description, there will always be found individuals, whose interests will lead them to hazard the consequences of gratifying his Highness's propensities.—

15. The Nabobs correspondence particularly his letters of the 3d and 15th April

last,

last, which we beg leave to point out to
your notice, will continue to exhibit unques
tionable proofs of the force of this influ
ence upon His Highness's mind and of
the indifference which he in consequence of
manifests to his connexion with the compa
ny under any changes or circumstances
your Hon'ble Court will observe by our
proceedings that immediately after the
succession of Lieutenant General Harris
to the charge of this Government it be
came necessary to republish the resolute
ons so frequently denounced against the
visits of Europeans at the Durbar.

20. The Court of Inquiry think Mr. Macleod will have communicated all the circumstances that came to his knowledge relative to the floating loans in the Lahore country.

17. We are not aware that Mr. Macleod has withheld the com
munication of any circumstan
ce, which may have come to
his knowledge concerning loan

of

of Money by British subjects in the Sangore Country - The list of creditors transmitted by Mr. Macleod and entered on our proceedings of the 11th October 1796. will enable your Honble Court to form a judgement of the late Rajahs embarrassment at that period.

21 Copy of an act of Poohramond forwarded establishing a new court of judicature and prohibiting loans of money to the native Princes

18. "we trust that, whenever the charter of justice may arrive, we shall be furnished by your Honble Court with particular instructions for our guidance on this important subject. The cause of our communications shews that this injurious practice still continues to have effect: and that the difficulty of establishing a minute, or what might be deemed a legal, detection

detection amounts almost to an impossibility.—

19. Without such instructions from you, we can have no hope that the clause of the late act will enable us to exterminate this dangerous evil; and for this reason we hope that our dispatches, particularly of 27th March 1797 and 19th February 1798 will have impressed the same idea upon the minds of your Honble Court.—

22d The Court approve the determination of this Government upon the Nayam's claim on the Rajah of Pencatagherry; and confirm in the propriety of counteracting the influence of the French party at Hyderabad.—

We are happy that our decision upon the claim of His Highness the Nizam on the Rajah of Pencatagherry has received your approbation

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21 The sentiments expressed by your Honble Court upon the propriety of endeavouring to annihilate the influence of the french party at Hydrabad, we thought it of importance to communicate to the resident under any circumstances, but on the state of affairs at the time when we had the honor to receive those orders, we were of opinion that Captain Kirkpatricks knowledge of your opinions might be attended with the most beneficial consequences. We accordingly ordered them to be furnished with a Copy of this paragraph; and we have an answer been | apprised by Captain Kirkpatrick that the utmost attention will be paid to the sentiments of your Honble | Court

Court whenever circumstances
may prove favorable to this or
mutual object.—

23 The Court
are desirous that
the Instalment due
to the Nizam should
be regularly paid
at Hyderabad

22 We have endeavoured to
preserve the greatest punctuality in
the payment of the Nizam's Instal-
ment; and are happy to point out
to your Honble Court the success
which has attended the exertions of
the Assistant Resident at Hydra-
bad to discharge the balance of
Instalment for the year 1796 as
well as the whole of the Instalment for
the Year 1797 by Bills on the
Supreme Government.—

24 The Court
limit the payment
in England of
bonds granted
to the registered
creditors of the
Rajah of Tanjore
to the sum of
Pagodas 502,673.

23. Upon reference to the
reasons assigned by your Honble
Court for discharging the first of
three

these bonds in England we had no doubt that the same consideration would have been extended to the whole amount after the ratifica=tion therefore given to the pub=lic in our advertisement of the 20th November 1796 and in the present embarrassed state of our finances we regret exceed=ingly that you should have thought it expedient to return these bonds for payment in June 24 . Before the receipt of your orders upon this subject the hol=ders of the remaining merely of these bonds had applied to us in consequence of your refusal to discharge them in England stating the very great disap=pointment as well as loss to which they had in consequence been

been subjected, and requesting
an adequate endemnification, but
as these letters were founded &
upon private advices we con-
cluded under the impression of
the unequivocal manner in which
you had fixed the payment in
England that there must have
been some mistake; and therefore
declined compliance with the
requist; but upon the arrival
of your orders we informed the
bond holders of your Honble
Courts resolution; and, as the
state of your treasury did not
admit the payment of so
large an amount in cash, we
gave them the option of pay-
ment in 12 per cent bonds, or
in Bengal Bills for such
proportions of the debt as
should

should have become due —

25 We are sensible that this mode may be liable to objection as constituting a debt of 12 per Cent instead of 6 per Cent interest, but the dilemma in which we were placed by the necessity of satisfying the demands of the creditors, and by our inability to do so in money, left us no choice

25 Ist Council declare the office of the King of Johanna

26 We shall be guided by the orders of your Honble Court upon this subject.—

27 We are sorry to acquaint you that the Prince of Johanna who arrived at this place by the way of Bombay, has departed this life during his residence here we have incurred some trifling expense for the maintenance

Cons. 4th. Septemr

maintenance of the Prince and his attendants; and it is our intention to take the earliest opportunity of sending back the latter to their native country.—

26. Peru Cavalcanti loan a Continuation on a respondentia Interest.

28 Needs no reply

27 Favorable notice of Mr. Cockerell's conduct—his entertainment to collect the Polygar's Cuttack approved.

29. We have furnished Mr. Jackson with a copy of this paragraph.—

28 Bills to be drawn on England for the balance due to the late Governor Joseph Smith.—

30 It appears that the amount received on this account from the late and present Nabob is Pagodas 12,000; after deducting therefore the amount paid in England £1500 or Pagodas 3750 we have granted bills upon your Honble Court at 365 days sight for the remaining

remaining Pagodas 8260 or £ 3304
in favor of the executors and execu-
-trix of General Smith's will.-

29 nov. 1b 31 Read no observation

30 now Honourable Commission to be made to the Rabob respecting the arrears due to the est. of the late General Horne

32 Although the Rabob's inva-
-riable attention to the represen-
-tations made to him by this Go-
-vernment respecting the claims
of individuals left us no reason
to expect a more favourable issue
upon this occasion, yet in obedi-
-ence to the orders contained in
this paragraph we communi-
cated to his Highness the anxie-
-ty expressed by your Honble
Court for an adjustment of Gene-
-ral Horne's arrears.- We are
sorry however to acquaint you
that His Highness has not
favored us with any answer

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upon the subject.

31/8/32 Remark 33 . Need no reply.

34. Having received the direc-
tions of your Honble Court for
restoring Serfoogee the legal heir
to the musnud of Tanjore we
shall forbear to press upon your
consideration our correspondence
with the late Rajah, which is a
repetition of complaint on our
part and of evasion on his
relative to the ruinous system of
measures pursued by His Excel-
-lency and his Ministers, but
shall proceed to relate the steps
taken for carrying these impor-
-tant orders into execution.—

35. Previous to the re-
-ceipt of those orders we had
been compelled to remove Mr
Alexander Macleod from the
situation

Ons 27th Feb

situation of resident at Tanjore
the particulars of which proceed
-ing your Honble Court will
observe on our dispatches of this
date from the public Depart=
-ment - and we had chosen Mr
Benjamin Torin to succeed the
Gentleman at Tanjore -

36 The Earl of Morning=
=ton thought it advisable to
postpone the ultimate instruc
-tions to us upon the modifica
=tion in the manner of car=
=rying the directions of the
Secret Committee into effect;
and on the 23d June we ac=
=cordingly received his Lord=
=ships detailed instructions for
this purpose -

Ons 25th June

37 The Supreme Gover
ment have entered into the

reasons, which induce them to think it nec-
-necessary to the attainment of the subse-
-quent ends of justice that a commission of
enquiry should be instituted as a mea-
-sure preparatory to the establishment
of Serfoque on the musnud; and in order
to obviate the difficulties attending such an
enquiry they determined that Serfoque
should be immediately placed upon the
throne, leaving the necessary investigation
into the State of the country to be made
after his accession—

38. Upon this occasion the
Governor General furnished us with letter
C.C. No. 99 & 100. from himself to Ameer Sing and Serfoque
to be presented to them at the time of an-
-nouncing the decision of the Company, &
communicating to the former the grounds
of the judgement in favor of the rights
of Serfoque, and assuring him that his
person should be protected, and that
whatever

whatever might be adjudged to be his pri-
-vate property should be secured to him toge
-ther with a suitable provision, - and inform
-ing the latter the decision in his favor -

39. The Governor General in
Council also furnished us with a procla
-mation to be published immediately
after Seafoqie should be placed upon the
mainmast, in which are stated the opinions
of the first founders in favor of answering
the circumstances which led to doubts of the
integrity of those opinions, the measures
in consequence taken for ascertaining the
legality of them, and finally, the grounds upo
which the decision of Sir Archibald Camp
-bell had been set aside, and the claims of
the rightful heir ascertained, acknowledg
-ed, and established. -

40 On the delivery of the
letter to Seafoqie, the Governor General
in Council required that he should

agent to certain stipulations for securing
the objects of the commission, for continuing
in force the treaty of 1792 until the per-
manent arrangements directed by the
secret committee should be carried into
effect, and for affording full protection
and a suitable maintenance to Ameer Sing
and his family -

6th. Considering the disorder
which had prevailed in Tanjore during
the administration of Ameer Sing, the
little experience which Serfogee could be
supposed to possess, with respect to the
management of his affairs, and his want
of proper officers for the conduct of the
business, added to the heavy demands,
which he must discharge, immediately
upon his accession, the Supreme Govern-
ment were convinced that it would be
equally conducive to his own interests
and to those of the Company that Serfogee
should

should consent to transfer the manage-
ment of his whole country to the Compa-
ny's Government for a period of one or
two years. For reasons, however, founded
upon the interpretation which might
be given to such a measure, and which
had been anticipated by the Secret
Committee, the Governor General in Coun-
cil did not think it proper to direct
us to make a proposition of such a
nature to Tenjoge; but, if the Rajah,
sensible, of his inability to enter upon
the immediate management of his
Country should for that reason express
a desire that we should resume the
temporary charge of it, His Lordship
in Council sanctioned our acquiescence
in his Excellency's wishes.—

¶ 2 The Supreme Government
recommended that the commission which
was to be appointed subsequent to the
installation

installation of Sevfoque, should consist
of three persons, and as they were satis
=fied that government were equally sens
=ible with themselves how deeply the hon
of the Company, and of the British
Nation was concerned in repairing th
injuries, which the Country of Canjo
and its lawfull prence had sustaine
by the usurpation of Amursinja
how much the attainment of that im
=portant object must depend upon the
conduct of the Commission, they had
the fullest confidence that we should
select for it those Servants of this
establishment, who were best qualifie
to discharge so sacred a trust -

4 3. As we judged it of th
greatest importance that there shou
be no delay in carrying these instruc
=tions into execution we immediately
transmitted our orders to the Resident
at

at Sanjoan for the accomplishment of the
object pointed out to us by the Secret Com-
mittee and the Supreme Government.— For
the particulars of them we beg leave to
refer your Hon"ble Court to our proceed-
Cons 25th Jan - ings noted in the Margin —
44. We had very soon the sat-
Cons 17th " isfaction of receiving a report from the
Resident Mr. Foren that he had, in com-
munication with the Commanding Offic
Colonel Aster, caused the whole arrange-
ment for the deposition of Amer Sing and
the installation of Serfoge into effect with
out the smallest commotion or disturbance,
and that Serfoge had assented to the
several stipulations required of him —
45 Upon this occasion Serfoge
adverted to his own inexperience, and to
the assistance which he required from the
Company's Government in undertaking
the administration of his affairs, but at

may

was immediately approved by the resident
that this was a subject, which would re-
=quire very serious Consideration, and that
as he (the resident) was not authorized to
make any proposition relative to it, wha
=ever, his Excellency might have to propose
must be the voluntary and deliberate
result of his own reflections.—

4 6. On a few days the Resi=
Cons 17th Ju. dent transmitted to us a formal and express
application, written by Rajah Soroque
himself, that on account of his inexperience
in public business, and the difficulty of
retrieving his affairs from the embar=
=rassment into which they had been thro
he requested that his country might be
taken under the management of the
Company, for a period not exceeding two
years.—

47. In executing this delicat
and important commission we thought it

ourselves

ourselves fortunate in having, upon the spot
two Gentlemen of such known Character a
and intiquity as the resident Mr. Fora, a
and Colonel Aston the commanding offic
and we have no doubt that the detailed
reports will impress your Honble Court
as they have impressed us, with a high
sense of their conduct—

48 We were no less satis-
fied with the personal address of Mr.
Fora, in conveying to Rajah Serfoge
a just an estimation of the Company's
justice and faith, as well as of the situ-
ation and circumstances in which he
himself was placed, as to satisfy him
of the expediency and good policy of re-
questing the assistance of the Government
in the administration of his affairs.—

49. Upon taking this im-
portant question into consideration our
President Lieutenant General Harris,

delivered

Consult. 20th July.—

delivered in a Minute in which he had stated
his reasons at considerable length for
thinking it an inexpedient measure to
take the country under the Company's
management for a period of one or two
years after taking a view of the dis-
orders which prevail in the country, of
the opposition to be apprehended from
the people, and of the clashing authorities
to be exercised severally by the Rajah,
the resident, the commission and the
Collector. The General feared that the
temporary exertion of the Company's
Government would prove inadequate,
and that nothing but the most rigid &
constant and the most prompt execution
of justice, such as the Rajah alone could
exercise under the advice and assistance
of the Commission could accomplish.
50. Upon these grounds
alone and a recollection of the evils &
inseparable

inseparable from such frequent transit
ons of authority the General hesitated
to repeat his opinion of the propriety
of taking charge of the country, but
when he reflected upon the impression,
which may be received of the Compa-
-ny's conduct in consequence of such
a transfer, and upon the circum-
stances which had been displayed s
ince the transmission of our instruc
tions to the resident, he had no long
er any doubt upon the subject; for
though the stipulations under which g
he Supreme Government had au tho=
-rized us to accept the transfer, were u
nquestionably just and honorable, t
General Hearsey feared that even the
Native Princes in alliance with the
Company, from being so much accus=
=tomed, in their own conduct, to con=
found the possession of power with

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the abuse of it, would, with difficulty, be brought to believe that the proposed extension, had taken place from any other suggestions than those of benefit to themselves, while those powers disaffected to the Company would represent the transfer to have been the secret cancellation of Sir Jacques elevation.—

51 Under these circumstances the General was of opinion that the enquiries which the Secret Committee and the Supreme Government had admitted to be made would be better accomplished by permitting the country to remain under the Rajah's management under the advice of the commissioner, and Residency of the resident, than under the temporary Government of the Company.—

52 In conformance therefore with the recommendation of General

Caruso

Cons 20th July

Rajah has stated his doubts of the expedience of assuming the management of the country to the Governor General in Council, and have requested his instructions upon this important point. In the meanwhile we directed Mr. Foran to take such measures as might be necessary for the management of those districts not already under the management of the Company's servants, and, as this arrangement could only be of short duration we called upon the Rajah Mongoje to give his entire confidence and cooperation to Mr. Foran for the promotion of His Excellency's as well as of the Company's interests.

Cons 27th July

59. Mr. Saunders thought it necessary to explain, in a separate minute the extent of his concurrence in this reference to the Supreme Government.

His

his reasons for thinking the assumption of the Tenyoon country ineligible for a period of only two years were entirely confined to financial considerations, and to the loss which we are likely to suffer in our immediate receipts from that country, but, as the political part of the subject had been fully investigated, and considered upon a more enlarged scale, by those who were most competent to judge of its importance; he limited his concurrence to the financial part of the question.—

5th We proceeded at the same time to select such of the Company servants as we judged capable of discharging the duties of the commission under the instructions of the Secret Committee and the Supreme Government, and we have in consequence appointed the commission to consist of Mr. Benjamin Torin Mr. Charles Havers, and Mr. George Shatton

Hatton. For the particular instruction with which we have furnished them for their guidance we beg leave to refer you to our proceedings noted in the Con. 25th Feb. Margin.—

55. We have granted the Commissioners each a Salary of two hundred and fifty (250) Pagodas per Cons 31st July Month during the time they may be employed upon this enquiry.—

56. We have the Satisfaction of acquainting your Honble. Court that since the change of affairs at Tanjore the necessary arrangements have been made for appropriating to answering his personal property, and for putting seal to one inspection of such part of the little property which Cons. 28th August. was found in the Palace, as was ascertained to belong to the Sircars. This division was made by means of confidential

confidential persons from both princes under the inspection of the resident; and has received their entire concurrence. A distribution has also been made for the future accomodation of Ameer Sing in a part of the palace at Tanjore, which he has chosen with the consent of Sherfogie for his residence; and a temporary provision has been made for the deposed prince and his family, until by the determination of the Supreme Government upon the question of assuming the temporary management of the Country we shall be enabled to propose a fixed Establishment for the support of Ameer Sing.—

5th During these Transactions at Tanjore Rajah Ameer Sing appears by the reports of the resident, to have manifested an entire resignation to this important change, and Rajah Sherfogie to have shewn a most commendable

degree

degree of moderation in himself; and a disposition to relieve, as much as possible, the fall of his rivals.—

58 A short time previous to the removal of Mr. Macleod from Sanpoue, we received a representation from Sofoqie stating that a considerable portion of the money received by that Gentleman on account of the family of the late Rajah had not been appropriated to their use; and this was at the same time confirmed by the Queen mother.

59 We immediately communicated Mr. Macleod with the substance of this complaint, and made it a part of our first instructions to Mr. Foran that the subject should be fully investigated by a reference to the accounts of the palace and the original receipts of Mr. Macleod.—

(Cons 27th Feb 1844 L & R No 35.)

60. By the report, which we in-
= consequence received from Mr. Farrin, it ap-
= peared that there was a difference between
the receipts of Mr. Macleod and the payments
to the family of the deceased Rajah amou-
-ing to Pagodas 10145.— The difference aros-
from a comparison of the receipts which
Mr. Macleod had passed to the palace
and of the receipts which Mootoogee had
in return passed to Mr. Macleod. The copy
-nals of these last were in the hands of
Mr. Macleod; and the copies were furnished
by Mootoogee himself, professing them to
be Copies of the whole of the receipts which
he had issued.—

61. Although Mr. Macleod has
been furnished with copies of the receipts in
question, and called upon for an explanation
of the apparent difference, he has not
yet enabled us to pass an ultimate
decision upon this case. We were very

much

Diary Colombo
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much surprized however upon receiving from
ins. 11th May— Mr Macleod the original receipts which had
been pointed to him by Sempoyee to observe
that Sempoyee had omitted to furnish copies
of these receipts, the amount of which is
much equal to the difference which he
charged Mr. Macleod with having withheld
from the use of the family—

62 With our dispatches of
the 19th February last, we forwarded to
your Honble Court an application from
Mr. Frank Day upon the subject of a debt
due to him by the late Rajah of Tanjore,
amounting for money lent to a considerable
amount advanced to His Excellency under
circumstances, which Mr. Day supposes not
to come within your prohibiting orders on
that subject.—

63. Soon after the removal
of amount from the mussnud we received
a further application from the house of

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Cons 31st July Colo, Baker, Day & Co upon the subject of the same debt requesting that it might be submitted to the consideration of the Governor General in Council in order that his Lordship might be enabled to make a representation for the liquidation of this claim on his final arrangements for the country of Tanjore —

64 Having already referred this claim to the decision of your Honble Court, we deemed it unnecessary to bring it under the consideration of the Governor General in Council —

65 Upon the same occasion of the change in the Government of Tanjore we received an application from

Cons 24th July Messrs Roebuck Abbott & Co relative to a debt stated to be due to them by the late Rajah amounting for timber & purchased by his Excellency for the erection of a palace at Tanjore. This appears

appears upon the face of it to have been a
mercantile transaction, the timber having
been landed at Nagore from the ship of
these Gentlemen in order to expedite her
equipment for the Service against Tren
comale for which she was employed by
us we therefore referred the claim for the
examination of the Resident at Tanjore
and found that a bond had been issued
for the amount but that a great part
of the timber was still unused.-

66. Having already stated
our sentiments, in the most explicit man
ner, upon the subject of the debts due by
Amer Sing, we shall beg leave to refer
your Honble Court to our letter of 17th
October 1794, and as we know of no mode
by which the liquidation of them can be
provided for but by charging them upon
the revenues of Tanjore, we are appre-
hensive that our interference may be
premature.

mmative without your sanction, a
cause the enquiries for which you have or-
dered the appointment of a commission
at Tanjour appear to have for their ob-
ject a more adequate provision for
the public demands upon that country
67 In a preceding part
of this letter we have attracted the
notice of your Honble Court to the
insulting style in which his Highness
the Nabob had continued to ad-
dress us - upon the completion of his ha
in the month of March last His High-
ness took occasion to expatiate upon
what he was pleased to term "the arbitra-
ry and tyrannical proposal" which
had been made to him for a modifica-
tion of the treaty of 1792 His Highness
concluded this letter by a request for
assistance of troops to suppress certain
disturbances in the Southern provinces

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this opprobrious expression was so inconsistent with the friendship and respect which his Highness on the same letter professed to entertain for the King the Nation and the Company of England, that we felt it incumbent upon us to expostulate with them upon the subject, and to explain that the proposal in question had been made in strict conformity with the wishes and instructions of the Court of Directors and of his Majesty's principal confidential ministers founded upon a just and clear conception of his Highness's permanent welfare and happiness, as well as upon principles of justice humanity and policy, and we expressed our concern that his unadvised position to meet those wishes and his determination against the introduction of reform had prevented a renewal of that proposal according to

Anno 33 Geo. III. c. 6 & 7.

the orders of your Honble Court —

" In regard to the assistance of our troops, — as his Highness had upon a late occasion declined the mediation of this Government under the acknowledgement that the disturbances of his country had been produced by the "tyranny "and unsupportable oppression of his "own subjects" and as his present application was as little supported by any circumstances of the fact, as he demanded during the preceding year for assistance against the Polygars, Tinnen and Ramnapollam, we thought it expedient to ascertain the true causes of this commotion before we should involve our troops a second time in a disreputable warfare against his Highness's subjects —

2/or His Highness did not renew his application for the assistance

rent General Francis Bernard to Lord Hillsborough 21st August. Letter from Governor Bernard to Lord Hillsborough 7th October 1768

a Resistance of troops, and though he did not discon-
tinue his style of invective we did not think
it necessary to revive the subject at a time
when the earl of Pomfret was engaged in
correspondence with his Highness.—

#1 Having received accounts
of tumults among his Highness troops
in the district of Palamcottah and Pellon-
which had rendered it necessary for the
Commanding Officer to place guards over
his Magazines of arms and Military stores
for their safety, we requested our Presi-
dent to point out the frequent recurr-
rence of these disreputable tumults, and
to recommend that His Highness would
guard against the effects of the desperat-
ion, which appeared in his Military either
by the payment or discharge of the numer-
rous Bodies engaged in his Service.—

Lord 12th June
Ditto to Lord
Pomfret

#2 We received no immedi-
ate reply to this recommendation; but a

only

only a short period elapsed before we receive

Cons 5th Dec. ed a pressing application from His Highness for two Companies of Sepoys for his personal protection at Chepauk House against the clamors of his troops -

¶3 In the beginning of March we received a letter from His Highness the Nabob demanding that the country of Tinnivelly together with the accounts and balances of each should be restored to him,

Cons 6th March & 6 Rs 42 according to the terms of the agreement concluded on the 4th March 1795, the particulars of which have already been communicated to your Honble Court -

¶4 If there had been no change of circumstances, we could have had no hesitation in complying with this requisition in conformity with the terms of the agreement and the sentiments expressed to the your Honble Court in our revenue dispatches of 24th April and 2d October last

but

but the basis of this agreement was the sove-
reign right reserved to the Nabob by the
treaty of 1792 by which the province of Ram
-nad escheats to the Nabob upon the for-
feiture of the rebellious polygar - with the
whole subject however before you - the terms
of the agreement itself, - our intentions de-
clared in the dispatches above mentioned.
and our correspondence with the Supreme
Government upon the extent of his High
-ness's sovereign rights, your Honble Court
have given a very full discussion of
this question in your political dispatch
of the 10th June 1795 having taken a
very extensive view of the subject, and of the
Nabob's relative situation to the Company
you have narrowed his Highness's right
of sovereignty to the observance of cus-
-tomary ceremonies; and have totally dis-
-claimed any right whatever, in his
part, to interfere in the Government
of

of the polygar countries. Pursuing the same
train of ideas in your subsequent dispatch
of 6th March 1796 you have gone into a very
amble consideration of the Ramnad agree-
ment you have pronounced that agreement
to be entirely superfluous, and the consent
of the Nabob to be altogether unnecessary
to our effectual interposition on the part
of the Government for the administration
of the usurped Ramnad upon the departure
of the polygar -

75. Upon these grounds, whic
in our opinion, reduce the agreement to
a nullity we have therefore informed him
that under your disapprovals of the agree-
ment we were not at liberty to comply
with his wishes, and that as any further
discussion of the question might be
attended with consequences injurious to
the provinces we had no doubt His Ex
Highness would see the impropriety of
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refraining from a renewal of his application.

76 Having, at the same time, determined to continue the present System of administration in the Province of Rammad, in regard to the successor until we should receive the instructions of your Honorable Court, we felt it our duty to explain to the Persian Government the motives of our conduct, upon a case involving considerable delicacy and importance -- As this explanation embraces the whole subject according to the best consideration we have been able to give it we beg leave to point it out to your particular notice.

Cons. 13th March

77 His Highness's comments upon this resolution, your Honorable Court will find in our consultation of the 17th April.

78 At our meeting of the

5th June, our President laid before us several representations from the Son of the late Abdul Wahab Khan, the paternal uncle of His Highness the present Nabob, complaining, that the harsh treatment they had experienced from him since the death of their father had compelled them to abandon their house and Farm and to take refuge in the house of an English Gentleman when they claimed the protection of the British Government.

79. As the cause of the desperate resolution appeared to be the determination of His Highness the Nabob to dispose of the family jahgueer, our President endeavoured to effect a reconciliation by his private interposition with the Nabob, but having failed in the attempt owing to the entire want of confidence of the two parties in each other and thinking it incumbent upon this Government to protect the persons of

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those persons from violence or restraint, General Kuroo insisted that the Rabobs guard should be withdrawn, and left as a guard of the Company troops for the security and protection of the family -

80 It is some time since the Companies guard has been withdrawn, and we were entertained that a reconciliation had been accomplished, but we are sorry to acquaint you that the complaints of the sons of Abdul Wahab Khan have been renewed, and we have requested our President to endeavours to promote an accomodation of these unfortunate differences - within these few days his Lordship has in consequence laid before us a letter from his Highness explaining the conditions and terms on which the farkyeer of Shuttoor was granted as well as his right to resume of the Fief. He also professes a disposition to provide for the family of Abdul Wahab Khan, if

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-They do not forward to withdraw themselves from the Treasury, we are fearfull however that from the want of confidence among the moneyed men there is little reason to expect a reconciliation -

11 Upon the expiration of the [illegible] year of account, we ordered the [illegible] ballance account to be adjusted according to the regulations of the treasury of 1792-93 The holders of bonds on the new consolidated debt of this Kingdom of the Batavian being entitled on the 31st August in virtue of the acknowledgments granted by your orders to another issue of 6 per cent

Con. 28 Aug. certificates for another instalment of 2½ per Cent, We have accordingly issued that proportion, and have been compelled, by the exigencies of our finances, to discharge the arrears of interest accruing on the unredeemed part of the debt, by other certificates, bearing 6 per Cent interest, as

as expected

[illegible] hoped on the acknowledgements -

P.3 We have already apprized your Honble Court that we have been under the necessity of discharging the dividends to the creditors of this Kingdom the Nabob on his 4 per Cts on 12 per Cent bonds of this Government; and as this is a measure, to which we should not have had recourse but from the extream urgency of our financial embarrassments, we thought it right to point out to your notice the style of complaint, in which the Agents of the creditors had addressed us. -

P4 Upon issuing the dividend for the month of May we received an application through the registers, that we should give our 12 per cent bonds at the discount which they bore in the market, if we should not be able to pay the dividend in specie. -

P5. We should have been happy to meet the wishes of the creditors; but

but circumstances rendered it impracticable to pay any part of the dividend in cash, and, as the creditors could not but be sensible that the discount upon paper originated in a general scarcity of specie, & they must have been sensible that nothing but the redeem of money could relieve their Government from its embarrassments. the Crore therefore at 12 per cent bonds at a discount, would not only have been regarded in that light, since the discount would have continued to rise, but would have been productive of the most serious inconvenience to your revenue and the community by increasing the difficulties of pecuniary transactions.

86. We have frequently had occasion to bring under your notice the money transactions of Europeans in the provinces of Tanjore and the Carnatic; & without entering therefore any further comment upon the subject in this place, we shall

shall proceed to acquaint your Honble Court that at our Consultation of the 3d. inst we received a letter from Mr. Robert Powney, "ad-dressed" (as he informs us) "by his Highness of "Wallajah Nabob of Arcot and his agent in "the Innuendo Powers for the recovered, hav-"ing Power of procuring him Money to enable "him to pay his Rent to the Company."

87 Mr. Powney proceeds to-- inform us that "His Highness conducted him-"self upon the death of his father confirmed the appointment, and, agreeably to his requi-sition and instructions, Mr. Powney advanced on his own property, and procured loans from others as security for those loans the assignments were given on the country, and his Highness's faith pledged, under his Seal and Signature that they should remain in Mr. Powney's hands "till all the debt was paid off."

88. The object of Mr. Powneys address

address was to state that his Highness the Nabob, instead of adhering to his engagements, had deprived that Gentleman of all his securities by force, and had appointed other agents Mr. Thomas Parry a Merchant of Madras, and Paupiah Brahmin of notorious character, and that, in consequence of an agreement entered into by them to supply his Highness with certain sums of Money, the whole province of Tinnevelly (Pangelmahal excepted) had been mortgaged to them upon a Bond of surrender as Mr. Benny states to that which had been granted to himself.—

8q. Though the object of this letter was the hope of redressing a private injury, yet it involved matter of weighty consideration in regard to those mysterious transactions, which have been so frequently recommended, and which are so fully explained and corroborated by Mr. Macaulay.

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to us were sanguine that our representation would have attracted the serious notice of your Noble Court, and that in consequence you would have written to us by the Lorgeuse, at that time expected would conclude with precise directions for the assistance of this Government upon a matter of this nature, be considered so frost throw the consideration of Mr Finney's letter until after the arrival of that vessel —

9th A short time after Mr Finney informed us that His Highness the Bey had accepted all the guarantees of which he complained, and that, having no longer any charges to make against his Highness, or any other person, he requested, en justice to all parties, permission to withdraw his former letter, — a request with which we determined not to comply

9th about the same period the Collector of Tobiggan transmitted to us a copy of a letter from Mr

Alexander

ms 5th June

ms 15th May

Alexander Watson, a head Surgeon in your
Service, stating the nature of his pecuniary
concerns with certain of the Southern Colo-
nies. These concerns are stated to have
an increase when the detachment under the
late Lieutenant Colonel Braxwell was sent
against the Indians in consequence of his
Majesty's recommended the first object, that
the Indians should be allowed to make
the same use of their heavy arrows through
the means of Mr. Watson thought-
himself authorized to advance certain sums
of Money, for which the received mortgages
of the Territories, which were
granted, to Mr. Watson Mate, with the
sanction & approbation of the late Mr.
Braxton; but upon the appointment of
Mr. Pinney, a new mode of administering
the affairs of the Colonies was introduced,
and Mr. Watson was required to relinquish
his mortgages and to vacate his people from
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the several Bellamis in lieu of these mortgages
Mr Linden received sample engagements from
the Bahyonne me hand of which should been
received -

92. Under these circumstances
Mr Linden judged necessary that measures
should be taken, through the proper channels
to bring about an adjustment of the concerns
and therefore applies to us that he may be
furnished with such fresh acknowledge=
ments and documents as may enable him
to lay a full and clear statement of the be=
business before the Board of Directors, agree=
ably to the third of the late act of Parlia=
ment -

93 In our different dispatches
we have taken occasion to explain the pecu=
liar situation of Sir Paul Godrell's situ=
ation, and we are sorry to add that of
Ex. Highness the Nabob cannot be sure=
vailed upon to grant them any relief. -

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14 Upon the 15th. May the Nabob became indebted to us on account of Sir Paul a year instalment on his bond amounting to fifteen thousand pagodas Sir Paul therefore requested that his Highness might be reminded of the sum and that I demanded of him a letter was accordingly addressed to the Nabob, but we have not had the good fortune to interest him in favor of the claim, nor indeed to obtain any answer whatsoever upon the subject. Sir Paul has in consequence addressed a memorial, which we have transmitted to the Governor General in Council —

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15. We have also had the honor of answering under the notice of your Honorable Board the case of some officers in the service of his Highness the Nabob, who have been dismissed with from employment without any previous adjustment

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adjustment of their arrears. This application has lately been renewed, but as we have failed to make any impression upon the Nabob's justice or humanity, it only remains for us to submit the case to your consideration —

46 In our letter by Lord Macartney we had the honor of communicating to your Honorable Court the situation of affairs on the Island of Ceylon. We had on the 3d April soon after the satisfaction of learning from Brigadier General De Meuron that, owing to the continued exertions of Major Rennie the strength of the insurgents in the neighbourhood of Colombo had been considerably reduced, and that there was an apparent probability of conciliating a better disposition towards us than had lately been evinced by the Cowil of Candia. —

47 During Lord Hobart's stay at Colombo an intimation had been received

been received from the minister of his desire
to have an interview with an Gentleman of
his Lordships suite, who, in consequence, recom
mended that the Brigadier should meet h
Kdigar. a meeting took place in consequence
and your Noble Court will observe, from Ge
neral De Meuron's report of the conference,
that the principal cause which had re
tarded the ratification of the treaty, was
the uncertainty of the arrangements which
might be made with respect to Ceylon
when the conclusion of peace in Europe.—
98 Arave thought it of
importance that this apparent change in the
disposition of the minister towards us should
be preserved, whatever might be the event
of peace in Europe, we authorized the Brig.
above to use such conciliatory measures, when
this engagement, might be conducive to those
ends when opened at the same time reserving
to ourselves that the future communications
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upon the subject of the treaty should be con-
cluded by Mr. Andreae, the President, because
from the former negotiations, he would be
able to meet the Candian Ministers upon
the points of difference, which they had re-
duced to General De Meuron, and by that
means, limit the conferences to distinct ob-
jects, which, from the desultory conversati-
on of the delegates, appeared to be requisite.

19 Mr. Andreae had however been compelled to return to the coast we committed the conduct of the proposed interview with the prime Minis-
ter to Brigadier General De Meuron, and authorized him to provide such an assort-
ment of presents for the occasion, as had been usual under the Dutch Government the omission of which was thought to have produced some degree of ill will to-
wards us.

20 Upon this occasion we

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recommended the Brigadier of the tenor of
the letter enclosed by Lord Hobart to
Mr. Henry of Candia, during his Lordship's
stay at Caimmbai and desired that he would
consider the outline of that letter to be the
guide of his conduct at the ensuing interview
as no communications had since been received
from Europe upon the subject of the treaty, it would be prudent, we thought, to
be extremely cautious in touching that
question, but it should receive discussion,
which, without orders from home, might
difficult of a satisfactory termination.
In the mean time we strongly recommend-
ed that the most conciliatory measures
should be pursued with respect to the
King of Candia; and that the Brigadier
should endeavour to restore and procure
that cordiality and friendly intercourse from
which we had already received, and might
derive so much advantage.—

Adieu

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101 About this time we received
a letter from the Prime Minister in answer
to the letter addressed to the King by Lord
Elgin from Colombo, in which he expressed
his concern that the intercourse between us
should have been discontinued, and that some
friendly means might be taken for removing
all jealousies and renewing the harmony
between the two Governments by the appoint-
ment of persons qualified to bring about
these desirable objects.

102. In a letter from our Resi-
dent we apprised the King of our disposition
to cultivate his friendship, and referred
him for that purpose to the conferences
which is to be held by the Prime Minister and
Brigadier General De Meuron.

103 Soon after we received
from Bombay extract of your Honble Court's
letter to that Government, notifying that
his Majesty has been pleased to appoint

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the Honble Frederic North to the Govern-
-ment of Ceylon the same communication
informed us of Mr. North's arrival at Bom-
bay & we immediately transmitted this
intelligence to the Brigadier (De Meuron,
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with directions that he should be prepa-
to make sail to Mr. North the earliest and m
likely hours with which he had been
invested—

164. In reply to these orders the
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Brigadier requested our full and explicit in-
structions as to the line of conduct he was
to pursue upon the arrival of Mr. North
in his double situation of President of the
committee and Commander of the forces
as well as with respect to his interviews with
the Candian Ministers in conformity with
our late orders.—

165 Having received no instruc-
tions from your Honble Board upon the
subject of Mr. North's Establishment we

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were unable to give the Brigadier any parti-
cular directions for his guidance under exist-
ing circumstances, however we thought it ad-
visable that he should accompany the conference
with the Candian Ministers, and as we had
no doubt that, if the North should arrive
at Columbo before General De Meuron &
received any further communication from
hence, he would conform himself to the
wishes of that Gentleman and to the orders
with which he might be charged by his Prin-
cipal, we thought it only necessary to recom-
mend to the Brigadier's notice that no au-
thority derived from this Government could
have force after Mr North should have taken
from him the Government of the Islands —
&c. We have since been advis-
ed by Brigadier General De Meuron of the
death of the King of Candia, and of the elec-
tion of his successor by the Chiefs without
any material commotion — as the Enemy
Minister —

Thereafter, such officers do proceed the most expe-
ditious route to Canada, and if continuance in power, no
material change of measures may be expected
and it was recommended to us to know that
the foregoing instructions had been despatched to
Canada previous to the event mentioned in
107 The ceremonies upon this
occasion ended, I was by my Lord Chancellor
ordered to attend the Secretary of State with
108 The Lords then adjourned
Com. 2nd Feb. 1st. account was that a very few days after the dis-
patch of our last letter on the 22nd January
my Lord received from Major General
De Lancey a letter from Sir George
Prevost Secretary of State for the
war department addressed to the officer com-
manding the Royal troops in the Island
of Guernsey enclosing a List of Bills to the amount
of Thirty two thousand (£32000) pounds
drawn at this Presidency on account of the
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Council commanded by the Count De Meuron and directing that the money advanced for those bills should be replaced in our treasury from the revenues of Ceylon, of which it was his Majesty's pleasure that the Officer commanding on Ceylon should keep regular accounts to be transmitted from time to time the Secretary of State.—

109 And appeared to us, from the papers transmitted by Brigadier General De Meuron, that the arrangements made for the government of Ceylon had not been perfectly understood at home, and as the Officer commanding on the Island could have no means of replacing the money in our treasury, unless on the contrary there were obliged to procure considerable sums of specie for the defence of the Island we submitted a copy of that Dispatch to the consideration of the Administration Government but have not yet received any orders on this subject —.

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110. In our last address we had the honor to acquaint your Honble Court with the measures suggested by Lord Hobart and the Committee at Columbo for the improvement of the administration of affairs on Ceylon, and with our reasons for hesitating, at that time, the plans which were recommended for that purpose. Having also submitted these reasons to the Governor General in Council, with the view of ascertaining how far the opinions we were inclined that the Supreme Government entertained concurred in the sentiments of Lord Hobart, as to the cause of the late discontents on the Island of Ceylon, and on the measures which he had recommended to be adopted for the better administration of the affairs of the Island The Governor General did not think it advisable that the arrangements should be delayed for the orders which might be expected from your Honble Court, and therefore strongly recommended that no time should be

be lost on carrying them into execution -

111 For the orders, which were, in consequence, issued we beg leave to refer you to our several dispatches -

112 In conformity with the suggestion contained in Lord Hobart's minute upon the subject of Ceylon we availed ourselves of the arrival of Admiral Rainier at Trincomalee to request the assistance of his Excellency's opinion upon the best mode of forthwith effecting that object and Fort Ostenburgh having in consequence been favoured with his Excellency's sentiments and the report of a board of Officers assembled upon this interesting subject, we shall transmit these documents for the consideration of His Lordship -

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113 In our letter of the 19th February last we had the honor of detailing to your Honble Board the disagreeable affair of the Sethoy deserters, who had been entertained

entertained on the Service of Mr Raymond, and stating the little probability of their being de-
-vered up in consequence of the representation which the Assistant resident at Hydrabad
been instructed to make to that Court.—

114. After much perseverance
on the part of Captain Kirkpatrick two Seiks
-dars have at length been delivered up and
are arrived within the Company's territories
upon reference to our proceedings your Hon.
Court will observe the correspondence which
has led to this event, and the material cha
-ge connected with it which have taken pla
at Hydrabad by the death of Mr. Raymo
and the strong disposition evinced by the M.
-nister to extend the subsidiary engagement
between the Seabah and the Company.—

115 We cannot but regard
event as of the greatest importance as
it restricts the evident decline of the French
party at Hydrabad or as it relates to the

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effects which must be produced upon our own troops when they observe the insufficient security of Mr. Perron's protection. In respect to the desire expressed by the Court of Hyderabad, for forming a closer connexion with the Company, we have no doubt your Honorable Court will receive full information on this important subject from the Supreme Government.

116 Having received no communication from Poonah since the arrival of Colonel Palmer at that place in the month of March last, we shall not trouble your Honorable Court with any observation upon the state of affairs in the Mahratta Dominions.

117 On the 6th June we received dispatches from the Cape of Good Hope with copy of a proclamation published by M Malartic at the Isle of France, in which he declares to the Colony in consequence of an embassy from Tippoo Sultan the desire of the

French

Prince, and invites the Citizens and Men of
color to enroll themselves for the Service of the
Sultan against the English possessions.

118. From the state of our in-
formation at the time we were disposed to
ascribe this proclamation more to a negotia
tion between the Government of Tippoo —
and the Mauritius than to any plan of ope
rations concerted in Europe, and having receive
late intelligence of very serious commotions on
the Islands, we thought there was no reason
to apprehend any very serious effect from it
measure — If however M. Malartic —
should find means to raise any considerable
body of men for the Service of the Sultan, we
believed that his intention might be most
easily and effectually defeated by keeping a
Squadron of his Majesty's Ships constantly —
cruising off the Island.

119 How far it might be poss-
sible for Admirals Christian and —

Rainier

Rainier to concert the reliefs for the continuance of such a force in those seas or how far such a disposition of Hers Majestys Ships might in other respects be conducive to the national interests we did not venture to judge but under the appearance of this intelligence we felt it our duty to suggest this idea to Sir Hugh Christian and Rear Admiral Rainier

Vide my Letter to Com 19th June

120 We accordingly addressed Letters to those Commanders upon the subject, and in forwarding this intelligence apprized the Supreme Government of the measure which we had recommended.

121 In answer to this suggestion Admiral Rainier informed us that, having received a Similar application from the Supreme Government, soon after his arrival on this Station, he had urged an objection which satisfied the Governor General in Council, on account of the injury to which

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the health of the crews was from so long
an use of Salt provisions on such distant
Services. He however determined upon th
occasion to make the experiment and ap
pointed three of his Majesty's Ships for th
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122 Having in the mean whi
received positive confirmation of the com
tions above mentioned, of the colonial a
sembly having in consequence, embarked
the whole of their regular troops for Euro
on two Ships of war, and of their having
sent another detachment of their Ships
to Batavia, we thought that little da
ger was to be apprehended, immediately
from the connection between the french
Islands and Tippoo Sultan, and that
such a disposition of his Majesty's Ship
as we had recommended was no longer
necessary as far therefore as his Excellen
the Admiral's determinations might have

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been guided by our suggestion, we thought it our duty to inform him that the grounds upon which that suggestion was made, had been entirely changed, and that the alteration of circumstances left his Excellency at liberty to form such other arrangements for the protection of your possessions and commerce as he might deem expedient. The departure of the squadron, which had been ordered for this service, was accordingly countermanded.

We are concerned that this suggestion did not meet the approbation of the Supreme Government. The Lordships in Council informed us, that being entrusted with the General defence of India, he might be liable to disappointment in his plans for that purpose, which would necessarily include his Majesty's fleet, if the Kings ships should be employed up on our recommendation without his concurrence, and therefore directed that we should refrain from similar communications

communications in future.—

124. We shall accordingly be guided by the orders of the Governor General in Council; and should not have failed to have mentioned the present suggestion, if we could have had the benefit of his Lordships opinion previous to the return of the Admiralty express to the Cape of Good Hope, and of the urgency of the measure, is to be adopted at all, had not superseded the necessity of all delay whatever.—

125 We have received several communications from the Commissioners on the Malabar Coast, and from the Government of Bombay relative to the discussions between them and the Officers of Tippoo Sultan in regard to the district of Wynaad. As we have not the means of laying your Honble Board a connected view of the whole subject; we shall beg leave to refer you to the dispatches from Bengal and

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and Bombay for the particulars, and shall only observe that we have endeavoured to regulate our conduct by the orders of the Secret committee to the Government of Bombay upon this important subject in our communications with Tippoo, and we have no reason to be dissatisfied with the attention which he has paid to a communication made to him upon the subject of a marauding Polygar on the borders of the Carnatic.—

126 In reply to Raynard, of we received from the Governor General an account copy of a letter which his Lordship addressed to Tippoo Sultan proposing a full and amicable discussion of the respective pretensions by conference according to the established laws of Nations, and requiring him, in the meantime, to withdraw the troops which he had hastily assembled on the frontier of the Coorga Country.—

127 We were happy to observe

observe, by the answers of Tippoo Sulta
an apparent moderation and disposi
to bring their disputes to an amicable
termination, and the Governor General
in Council having received, at the same
time, the usual report of the commiss
ners on Malabar upon the subject of
Tey nand, it was conceived, after a full e
xamination of every circumstance rela
ing to the rights of Tippoo Sultan a
the Company, that Tey nand was not
ceded to the company by the treaty of
Peace The Governor General in Council
directed the commissioners to make a for
mal acknowledgement of the justice o
the Sultans claim to Tey nand and to
find them in possession of their districts,
whenever it might suit their pleasure
We have likewise been advised by the Gover
nment of Bombay that a Command, proc
mation having been issued, subs

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and that the district of Loyndo has been delivered to the Officers of Tippoo Sultan

128 We are sorry to acquaint your Honble Board with the Capture of our ships Woodcot and Raymond by the National frigate la Prevoyante on Tellicherry coast on the 20th April last. the particulars of which will no doubt be communicated to you by the Governor in Council of Bombay.

129 As the crews of these ships were landed immediately by the Commander of the frigate upon parole we were desirous of relieving their situation by establishing an exchange, and having examined the list of prisoners exchanged by both Nations in India, by which a considerable balance appears in our favor we felt ourselves fully warranted in releasing from their Parole the whole of the Officers and Men who has been captured.

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130 We accordingly addressed a
Consult 12 letter to Mr Malartic acquainting him
with the grounds on which we had done
so, and transmitted to him a Statement,
as complete as it could be made out, of the
Prisoners who had been released by both
Nations. At the same time we released
eight Officers who were on their parole at
this Presidency, that they might return to
the French Islands by the ship which
conveyed our dispatches to Mr Malartic

131. We have written these
few days received a letter from Syphoo
Sultan relative to the adjustment of
B.C. No 39 his claims upon two villages contiguous to
for 1793 the Canara frontier, in which he informs
us that he has stated his pretens-
ions to the Governor General; and we
have informed the Sultan in answer
that we have no doubt his Lordship in
Council will be guided by the same

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candor, justice and liberality on this, as
in the instance of the Wynaad province.

132 You have already expressed
your anxiety to be furnished with the result
of your reference to his Majesty's Secreta-
ry of State upon certain proceedings of
the Government of Tranquebar inconsis-
tent with the laws of neutrality.

Secretary to Govt. 133. In consequence of a
representation from the Lieutenant Colo-
nel Commanding his Majesty's 73d
Regiment de Meuron relative to the de-
tention of some deserters of the Corps
at Tranquebar, we requested that Gene-
ral Aitken might be pleased to order
enquiry into the circumstances of their
detention, and to deliver up the deserters.

134. After some explana-
tions of the facts relative to their deser-
tion his Excellency proceeds to inform
us that he had received positive orders

on no consideration whatsoever to deliver
Convert. Prisoners
of deserters who take refuge within the limi
of the Danish jurisdiction to any foreign
power when no cartell exists; that these
orders had been the result of a mere verbal
representation to the Court of Denmark
in consequence of the dispatches from this Go
vernment relative to his Excellency's refusa
to comply with our demand for the deliver
of some French prisoners who had resorted
the Colony of Tranquebar for protection,
and finally that the orders in question
had an entire reference to all further enter
-course upon the subject of deserters.—

135 As your letter of the 30th
october 1797 gave us to understand whether on
-sideration upon the subject, we gindged i
prudent on our reply to General Arbuthno
note, to discuss until we should hav
further instructions from your orders for our guid
-ance.—

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136 Received through the means of the Commandant at Malacca a paper brought by Mr. Oliver professing to be a Letter from the King of Cochin-China requesting permission to purchase a considerable supply of arms and Military Stores, but having no authority for that purpose Lieutenant Colonel Campbell referred Mr. Oliver to this Presidency.—

137 Upon this arrival here he presented the letter from the King, and was in consequence called upon for a list of the Stores, which he should require both this neither he complied, nor have we any account of his subsequent proceedings.—

138 After some importunity for payment of the extra expences incurred with the detachments which were employed during the last year against

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against the proprietors of Carrickfergus and Belmarfield, His Highness has at length consented to discharge the amount in two instalments with the Rents of the and the succeeding month, and we trust that his Highness will not disappoint us.

139. With similar solicitations

Cons 2° Oct. his Highness has also been prevailed upon to issue orders for repurchasing the part of the monopoly under the superintendance of our enquiries, we have in consequence desired the commanding Officer to urge on the execution of the work with an expedition equal to the importance of it.

140 At a late meeting of the

Cons 2° Oct. President laid before us a copy of a letter from the Governor General to his Highness the Nabob urging him in the most pressing terms to take measures for the discharge of his debt to the Company on account of the cavalry loan, and requesting that

that he would manifest this mark of his friendship at a time, when all those who were connected with, or attached to the Prince's interest, were giving such signal and voluntary proofs of their exertion for his support. Having however waited a considerable time without receiving any answer from the Nabob, our President thought it adviseable to address a letter himself to his Highness, and his Lordship has in consequence laid before us at a late meeting

Answ. of 20 October

a copy of the Nabob's answer to Lord Macartney, in which his Highness attempts to deny the validity of the debt, and to refer to the general account between himself and the Company. This letter we beg leave to enclose a copy for the information of your Honble Court.—

1781 At a late consultation we received a most extraordinary application upon the subject of his Highness the Nabobs

Extract from Nabob money Transactions conformably to
the award of the treaty of 1792 it was a
letter from the Honble Lieutenant Colon
Cornwallis of his Majesty's 71st Regiment
inclosing the copy of a bond from his
Highness the Nabob to him for Ninety
seven Thousand pice hundred (97,600) pag
together with an original letter to the
Right Honble the Governor General
from the Nabob, in which his Highne
informs Lord Thomas Clinton that the
bond was due for advances of Money
made to enable him to discharge his
Rents to the Company and requests
that his Lordship will take measu
for obtaining justice to Lieutenant Co
Lord Cornwallis. The tenor of the bond
specifies that his Highness had ad-
dressed himself to every department
of the British Government in order
that his character might be rescued
from

from any breach of engagement by bring
ing the amount on the consolidated fund -
These papers Lieutenant Colonel Lindsay
requested us to transmit to the Supreme
Government as a matter of course -

4/2 By a reference to them
your Honble Court will observe that
while that Officer held the command of
the fort and Garrison of Pennacook
by appointment from the Govern-
-ment, his money transactions with
the Durbar were of a very extensive
nature contrary to the express orders
of your Honble Court and of the Go-
-vernment regularly announced to the
army. -

4/3 In the Letter, appoint
-ment and bond of Lieutenant Colonel
Lindsay contained an unequivocal
exercise of these transactions we
-conceived it our duty in conformity
with

with your orders of the 31st August of
1796 to submit the whole subject to
the Supreme Government and to sug-
gest the propriety of their request
ing the commander in Chief in India
to take such measures in regard to
that Officer, as he might judge ne-
cessary in consequence of the instruc
tions, which he may have received
from his Majesty's Ministers on
this subject."—

144. "We should not have
made this Government the chan
nel of transmitting these papers
to the Governor General in Coun
cil according to the irregular re-
quest of the Prabob and Lieute-
nant Colonel Kindersley nor this
Highness's original letter presented
to us through the irregular means
of an individual, but as it was of
impossible

impossible for us not to take notice of the case, we brought the whole upon our records, and judged it of importance to the consideration of this subject that there should be a public and formal avowal of his or my transaction by the Nabob.—

145 For we feel to Vansittart Colonel Lindsays justification of his proceedings, it was nearly connected with a defence of the same nature as up by Vansittart and Colonel Calvert of the establishment upon a late occasion, & that we beg leave to refer you to the sentiments expressed in our letter of 19th February last.—

for 1/4 to Bc

146 We have received from Bengal copies of letters from the Governor General to the Rajahs of Tanjore Cosa and Soorya, on which this Gentleman informs us them of the orders which he has

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received

spread for assembling the Company's forces
in consequence of the offensive alliance last
ly concluded between Tippoo Sultan and
the French through his ambassador at
the Isle of France for the avowed purpose
of attacking the British Government in
India, - and that, though it was not
his Lordships intention to have recourse
to arms, unless every other method should
have failed, to obtain for the Company
and their allies that satisfaction and
security from the Sultan, which they
had a right to demand, yet prudence
required that we should be prepared
for every exigency the Governor General
in consequence had called upon the Com-
pany's allies to join in demanding ample
security from Tippoo Sultan &
against the execution of his avowed de-
signs, and to take measures for fulfil-
ling the defensive engagements by

which

which the allies are respectively bound, and how Lordships enforced them to fulfil their engagements in a state of effectual preservation to coöperate with those of the Company.

47 The enclosed letter for the Rajah of Travancore, which we received from Bengal, has been accordingly transmitted to them.

48 We have absolutely received from the Supreme Government a copy of their correspondence with His Excellency Governor Rumbold relating to the suspension of the Bombay ships under his Excellency's command, in consequence of their avowed intention of hostility on the part of Tippoo Sultan and the proclamations which have been made by us and the allies for war.

49 Under this order the Governor General enjoined them to proceed with all possible dispatch to a convenient place

of the Squadron should immediately
sail to the Malabar coast with the view
of preventing the landing of any force
from the French Islands in the dominion
of Tippoo Sultaun. His Excellency the Ad
mentioned that in consequence intimation
of the Ships he intends for this service, a
copy of the instruction he has made
for the protection of the settlements of
the King and the Company, and of the
trade of his Majesty's subjects in the
country in general. — His Excellency ac
cordingly sailed from hence for the
Malabar coast on the 28th ultimo.

Sufferin Trincomalee Trident.

130 We send on the packet
Statements of the principal sums due on
the 5th October 1798 to the Creditors of the
Nabob and Rajah of Tanjore. —

131 above last meeting
Lord Clive delivered in a minute, in
which his Lordship has taken a
review

view of the circumstances under which he has taken charge of the Government, regard to its present actual Situation, the state of its finances, and our immediate means of defence.—

5. 2. We beg leave to inclose a copy of the minutes for the information of your Honorable Court, and to request your particular attention to it. Sensible as we are of the difficulties which have been started by our President, we beg leave to assure you of our steady determination to meet them with a resolution proportioned to their exigence; and, as we are sensible how much it is encumbent on us as well for our immediate security as to support the dignity of Nation adopted by the Supreme Government, that there should be

no

no relaxation in the pursuit of the im-
portant objects committed to our charge your Honble Court may be con-
fident in our most cordial cooperation
and exertion for the welfare and hono
of the empire.—

Lord St George
15th October 1798

We have the honor to be
with the greatest respec

Honble Sirs

Your faithful
humble Servants

(signed) Chas
George Harris
Wm Elvis
E. W. Fallofield

Political Department

To the Honorable the Court of Directors for affairs of the Honble the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies.

Honble Sirs

Para 1st Our last address to your Honble Court from this Department is dated 15th October 1798.

2d to 5th October 1801

2d The Resident at Tanjore informed us that the Governor of Trenquebar had communicated to the Rajah his intention of dispatching an officer of rank to congratulate his Excellency on his accession to the musnud, on return for the compliment which his Excellency had paid General Ambre in formally announcing this event to him

In Bk to con 23rd October Pr: B. Pro 12

3d. ... we informed the Resi-
dent that as the Rajah had made a
previous communication to the Gover-
nor of Tranquebar of his elevation to
the Musnud, we had no objection to h
receiving a return of the compliment;
We however directed Mr Torin to obse
to the Rajah that by his engagement
with the Company, he was restricted
from holding any intercourse with
foreign states, without the previous
consent of this Government—

Cons 23d Oct 4. We have the satisfa-
Cons 13th Nov 5 -tion to inform your Honble Court
that his Highness the Nabob has dis-
charged the amount of the expences
of the detachments sent against the
Polygars of Calsmar, Tilly and Travan
pollam, being Pagodas 6345-47-16-
5. We transmitted to Yr
Hon'r the report of the Board of
Officers

may be consu
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Officers, at which his Excellency Admiral Rainier presided upon the best mode of defending Port Cornabwegh and the harbour of Trincomalle, and we suggested to his Excellency if the plan for destroying the fortifications of Trincomalle should meet his approbation; the expediency of undertaking the work at as early a period as possible, as the aspect of public affairs under this Presidency rendered it important that we should have at our command the greatest possible Military force -

Mr. North on verbally stated to us that the suggestions proposed to him embraced objects of such importance to the security of the Island of Ceylon, & that he hoped we would allow him to deliberate fully, before he determined upon it, the more particularly as the arrangement we had suggested could not from

* any to Consn
[illegible] December

as Palace be forfected in time to affor
an early addition to our army.—

7. We informed Mr. C
North that we were perfectly sensible
of the justness of the observations; and
that however fully impressed we might
be as to the infallibility of the measure;
we had proposed, we concurred entire
-ly with him as to the necessity of
giving the question full consideration
before he decided upon it.—

8. We received a letter
from Tippoo Sultaun expressing his
Copy of H.C. 5 anxiety to be informed of the truth
of the rumors which he had heard of
our Military preparations, which from
the intimacy subsisting between the
two States, he said, he found it diffi
-cult to credit.—

9. We informed him
in reply that the cause of our M.
Military

Nov 1798 to Dec

Military preparations had been sufficiently explained in a dispatch recently forwarded to him from the Governor General and we approved him & that we should be ready at all times to cultivate the relations of peace and friendship with him.—

10 We communicated to him the intelligence then recently received of the Ottoman Porte having declared war against the french and enclosed to him a copy of the proclamation published at Constantinople on the 1st. September 1798. and we took that occasion of pointing out the suspicious views of that Nation whose closest ally was thus under the necessity of declaring war against her and of joining in the general indignation which her dangerous principles and encroaching schemes of ambition had spread so broad—

We

11 Due shortly afterwards
forwarded another letter from the Gover
-nor General to the Sultaun, in which
his Lordship expressed his anxiety to
receive an early and explicit answer
to the several points contained in his
former letter, and particularly ex
-pressed a hope that his Highness
would be sensible of the advantage
likely to result to all parties from
the conciliatory measure of deputing
Major Doveton to him - His Lordship
informed the Sultaun that he hop
-ed to have a satisfactory reply on
his arrival at Madras, for which a
place he knew on the point of em-
barking -

Cons. 21st December

12 The Resident at Tan
Cons. 6th Nov. jore informed us that the Family of
Rajah Serfoge were extremely anxious
that the Marriage of his Excellency
should

should be conformably to the customs of
his country, immediately celebrated, and
that his Excellency had also expressed
himself very desirous that this
event should take place —

13. We informed Rt. &
Town that tho' we felt every disposi-
-tion to meet the Rajah's wishes, it
was necessary to explain to him, that
under the appearances of public
affairs, at that time it would be
indispensably necessary to observe an
economy so strict, as we feared would
be incompatible with his Excellency's
object. —

14. We received a letter
in 1st Dec. from the Supreme Government in-
forming us of their intention to ord
your ships the Earl Howe and Pri-
-ce of Charlotte, and the Country Ship
Cornwallis, and to despatch them —
together

together with the Bombay frigate to join
his Excellency Admiral Rainier in order
to ensure the protection of the Malabar
Coast during the North-east Monsoon

5. The Governor General in Council concluded that the season of the year would preclude us from affording any material assistance to the Admiral, but his Lordship directed that if we should have it in our power to arm any ships, they should might be equipped, and despached with all practicable expedition to join his Majesty's Squadron —

16. We informed Admirals 4th Dec. Admiral Rainier that our means of affording him were very limited — We however suggested to him that your ship Orwell was unemployed and at our disposal, and that she might be immediately armed if his Excellency should

should judge it necessary -

The Governor General
en Council enformed us that his Lord-
ship had been pleased to appoint
Captain James Achilles Kirkpatrick
of this establishment resident at
the Court of His Highness the Neza
and his Lordship having expressed
to us his desire to avail him-
self of the services of Captain
John Malcolm also of this
establishment, as Assistant to
the Resident, we accordingly
directed that Officer to proceed

to

to Hyderabad and to place himself u-
-der the orders of Captain Kirkpatrick.

We have the honor to be
with the greatest respe

Fort St. George
2d. January 1769.

Noble Sirs
Your faithful
humble Servan
(Signed) Clive
Wm. Dalrymple
& Wm. Fallofield

Copied
Ft. St. George

To the Honorable Court of Directors
for affairs of the Honorable the United
Company of Merchants of England
trading to the

East Indies

Honorable Sirs,

Para. 1 The Right Honorable the
Governor General having Communicated to us his
Lordship's Separate dispatches to your Honorable
Court upon the Subject of the negotiations for
concluding the partition treaty of Mysoore and the
Subsidiary treaty of Seringapatam, we have
nothing to add to his Lordship's observations, and
therefore beg leave to refer you entirely to them.

2 The whole of these negotiation
having, indeed, been Conducted and brought to their
termination under the immediate care of the
Governor General, we have no doubt that your
Honorable Court will concur in our opinion that
the explanations respecting them can be transmitted
to you in no manner so satisfactory, as from his Lordship
himself

himself

3 Having given our most perfect Concurrence and approbation to the whole of the Governor Generals arrangements, we beg leave to express our conviction, upon a through consideration of the subject, that the Settlement of the dominions of the late Tippoo Sultan, involving as it does, questions of the greatest importance to your interests, and producing an entire change in the political State of India, could not have been effected in any other way with so much expedition and probability of permanent security, or with so much advantage to your immediate interests, and to the National honor.

We have the honor to be with the greatest Respect

Honorable Sirs
Your faithful humble Servants
(Signed) Clive.
Wm. Petrie
Wm. Fallofield.

Fort St. George
12th August 1799

To

To the Honorable the Court of Directors
for Affairs of the Honorable the United
Company of Merchants of England
trading to the

East Indies

Honorable Sirs,

Para 1st. We informed your Honble Court in our dispatch from this Department of the 15th October 1798, that we had referred to the consideration of the Governor General in Council the very extraordinary transactions which had been brought under our notice by Lieutenant Colonel Lindsay relative to the Adjustment of his pecuniary claims on His Highness the Nabob

2. The Governor General informs us on his arrival at this Presidency that he had submitted this subject to his Excellency the Commander in Chief in India with a request that the orders which his Excellency might have received from his Majesty's Ministers regarding

Consult 2d. Instt.

usurious loans to the Native Powers in India might be put in force in the case of Lieutenant Colonel Lindsay

3 But as the Commander in Chief had not yet received the orders described in your dispatch of 31st August 1796, the Governor General had thought it advisable to decline his Excellency's offer to bring the Affair under the cognizance of a Court Martial lest it should be thought an offence which a Military Court could not reach, and his Lordship had in consequence of this determination taken the opinions of the Company's Law Officers in Bengal which his Lordship communicated to us.

Consult 2d June 1797 4 The Advocate General in giving his opinion enters into a very full and comprehensive view of the Subject for the particulars of which we beg leave to refer your Honorable Court to our Minutes noted in the Margin.

At

. At the suggestion of the Governm
General we also referred the case to the considerat
of your Attorney General at this Presidency but a
the result of these references was adverse to a
prosecution at Law, we relinquished all intent
tion of that nature. -

We have already had occas
to bring the subject of this doctrine particular
in the case of Lieutenant Colonel Blever, under
the notice of your Honorable Court, and
we have endeavoured to point out the dangerous
consequences which are likely to be felt in
the Administration of your affairs by the
establishment of a right in military e -
fficers, sanctioned by the formal decisions
of legal Courts not only to hold with your -
subjects and dependances an intercourse indepen
dent of an authority and injurious to the -
prosperity of your territorial possessions, but
to maintain it in direct violation of -

Restrictive

restrictive orders publicly and formally announced to the Army -

With respect to the officers in your own service we have the means of applying an immediate and effectual remedy and the Sentence of the Court martial on the case of Lieutenant Colonel Oliver, with the opinion of your law officers on the case of Lieutenant Colonel Lindsay, will compel us on all future occasions of this nature to have recourse to the decisive measure of suspension -

But considering the weight of the legal authorities already quoted to: gether with the importance of the question to your extensive territorial possessions, we are induced to recommend that means may be taken to relieve the appearance of this harshness in your executive Governments abroad either by an application to the Legislature for that purpose

purpose if you shall judge it necessary, or by some more formal promulgation, than has hitherto been made, of your determination respecting the conduct, which you require from your Servants on this point -

3 In regard however to these Officers of His Majesty's Service, we have no resource for, as the Commander in Chief has not received any instructions from his Majesty's Ministers on the Subject, the only alternative on the part of His Excellency is to bring the matter under the Cognizance of a Court Martial -

10 Of the decisions of Military tribunals on points of this nature we have too recent experience to make further recourse to them expedient, and, until provision shall have been made for the case by orders from England, the only remedy we can command against an open insult to our authority, is the removal of the whole

Regiment

Regiment from one Station to another. —

11 The inefficacy of such a remedy is too obvious to need a Remark; but while so great a proportion of the Army in India is composed of His majesty's Regiments distributed over the extensive dominions now subject to your Authority, we are decidedly of opinion that some mode of establishing an effectual restraint is become indispensably necessary; as we beg leave to submit the subject to the most serious consideration of your Honorable Court, recommending that such application be immediately made to His majesty's Ministers on the Subject, as you shall judge necessary. —

12 His Highness the Peshwa having addressed a letter to Lord Clive announcing to him the approaching nuptials of his brother, Her Lordship offered his Highness the usual Congratulations on the occasion

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No 4 to Commun: 12th February.

and

and transmitted to him the customary present of dress and Jewels.

13 Having received another very pressing solicitation from Rajah Serfogee to be permitted to celebrate his marriage, a ceremony which the urgency of his family and friends on the Subject, prevented him from postponing any longer, we resolved to comply with his Excellency's wishes, and we directed the Resident at Tanjour to pay every degree of attention to the Solemnity in order to impress the minds of the Rajah and of his Subjects with a just sense of the protection and security which he enjoys under the Company's Government

result 19th February

14 Her Excellency expressed the highest satisfaction in obtaining our sanction to the ceremony, which was conduct with a strict observance of the forms of her Ancestors, though the Situation of public affairs necessarily rendered it limited in point of

result 19 March

of expence and magnificence.--

15 In our Letter of the 15th. October 1792 We informed your Honorable Court of the Commission which we had appointed in conformity to your orders of the 27th. October 1791, for investigating and reporting the present State and resources of the Tanjour Country -

16 The report of the Commissr has been received, but the pressure of the affairs of Mysoor, has prevented us from going into a consideration of the subject. It is the intention however of the Governor General, to give the fullest attention to the Adjustment of the affairs of Tanjour, before his Lordship's departure for Bengal and with this view his Lordship has ordered the attendance of the Resident Mr. Torin at the Presidency.--

We have in consequence dissolved the Commission at Tanjour.

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We

18 We have granted to Lieutenant William Black Blackburne whom we have appointed Mharatta Interpreter at Tanjour in the room of Mr Swartz an allowance of one hundred pagodas per Month, being nearly equal to that enjoyed by his predecessor

19 We were apprized by dispatches from Bombay that the conferences regarding the boundary disputes on the Cooga frontier had been interrupted by the deputies of the Sultaun having abruptly departed, and that there was very little chance of their being again resumed - The same despatches informed us that the communication between Coimbetore and Paulghaut had been entirely shut up by order of the Sultaun's Officers, but as this Subject is intimately connected with the Separate proceedings of the Governor General for the conduct of the War We shall refer your Honorable Court to his Lordships's dispatches for a detail of the

Consult 29th January

Subsequen

Subsequent correspondence with Tippoo —
Sultaun

20 Our late extensive Military
equipments having compelled us to call
forth every pecuniary resource in our power,
the Governor-General deemed it expedient,
to invite His Highness the Nabob, an ally
whose interests were so inseparably blended
with our own, to contribute to the common
cause against our formidable enemy Tippoo
Sultaun and it was with much satisfaction
that we learned from her Lordship that His
Highness had promised to contribute the —
sum of 3 lacks of pagodas, a supply which
would have been at that critical period of
the most essential importance to your —
affairs —

1 We should have had much
pleasure in reporting to your Honorable Court
that the descendants of your ancient ally had
contributed this essential assistance towards

those

those equipments and exertions which have terminated in subverting the power of the implacable enemy of His Highness's house and of her friends the English. We have to regret however that under the pressing exigency of our pecuniary resources at that period we received from His Highness the sum of 16,000 Pagodas only, on account of this contribution, the general tenor of the circumstances connected with this failure in his Highness's engagement will be communicated to your Honorable Court in a particular manner by the Governor General

2 We are concerned to inform you that this is not the only instance in which we have had occasion to lament an indifference to the success of our measures on the part of his Highness. for instead of calling forth the resources of the Carnatic for the supply of your Army His Highness manages every province of his dominions not only

withheld

withheld all assistance from their respective
district but opposed every possible obstacle
to the passage of Supplies procured for the use
of the Army beyond the limits of His High-
ness's Territories.—

23 From the total want of system
in his Highness's government more, we believe,
than from any positive indisposition on his
own part, the representations made to him
these serious points were of little avail. In order
therefore to guard effectually against any
disappointment of the Supplies required for
the Nizam's Contingent in its march thro
the Carnatic and to prevent any impediment
to the progress of the numerous Cumparries
who accompanied it, we found it indispen-
sably necessary to authorize the command
Officer at Nellore to ascertain the quantity
of grain in the district, and to use guards of
the Company's Sepoys to prevent the removal of

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it from places contiguous to the route of the detachment

24 We were careful to explain to His Highness the Circumstances under which we were compelled to adopt this measure, and to assure him that it did not proceed from the least desire of interfering unnecessarily with his authority, but from our great anxiety to guard against any possible disappointment, where the object was of such great magnitude —

25 We had the satisfaction of observing a very different disposition in His Excellency the Rajah of Tanjour, for the desire of His Excellency to contribute assistance to the common cause has been cordial and uniform to the extent of his means —

26 His Excellency having proposed to us to raise a body of about one thousand Polygars for the protection of his

Dy to Consult 19th March

Country

Country against incursions of horse, We desired the Resident to express to the Rajah our sense of his willingness to assist the public service but we did not conceive the risk of an incursion from the enemy so great as to counterbalance the certain inconvenience of assembling so large a number of Polygars in Arms -

27 In consequence of Lieutenant Colonel Brown having quitted the Southern provinces, on taking the command of the detachment which had been formed to the south of the Coleroon we deemed it expedient to vest the Resident of Tanjour, in whose abilities and integrity we placed the strongest reliance, with a general control over the Southern provinces, in order that their resources and revenues might be applied with the greater degree of efficiency and promptitude to the exigencies of the public service, -

Consult. 30th

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22 The Register of the Nabobs debts having informed us that a balance of unclaimed dividends amounting to Pagodas 3628-10-78 remained in his hands, we directed the Sum to be received into the Treasury and ordered a receipt to be passed to Mr. Cockburn for the Amount. In addition to this Sum, there is in the Company's treasury on account of unclaimed dividends previous to the establishment of the registers office the Sum of Pagodas 1796-27-50.

consult 29th January -

23 His Excellency the Vice President in Council at Fort William communicated to us an application for five hundred tons of Saltpetre which had been received from Captain Moore the Commander of an American Ship in the employ of Mr. Ada Babcock a merchant in Boston.

consult 19 March.

30 His Excellency forwarded to us a letter which he had received from your Secret Committee, desiring that Mr.

Babcock

Bobock should be furnished with the quanti
of Saltpetre which his agent had applied f
and he informed us that having found on a
reference to the Board of Trade that it
could be supplied without any inconvenien
or without causing any detention of your
ships, he had given Captain Moore permis
sion to purchase five hundred tons from
the Company's Warehouse on his paying th
Market price, with the established duties
a measure which we entirely approved.-

31 We have the honor to enclose
statements of the Principal Sums due on the
17th May 1798 and on the 2nd August 1799
to the Creditors of His Highness the Nabob
and of His Excellency the Rajah of Tanjore.

32. At the request of Mr. Pett
Cossum, Administrator to the Estate of the
late Revd Mr William Bambrigge we
enclose copy of a letter stating further particu
lars on the subject of the bond mentioned in

the

the 31st and following paragraphs of our
General Letter of 17th October 1797.

33 We should not have again
pressed this Subject on the notice of your
Honorable Court, had not Mr Cafsens claim
from the particular circumstances attending
it, appeared to us particularly deserving of
attention.

We have the honor to be
with the greatest Respect
Honorable Sirs
Your faithful
humble Servants
(Signed) Clive
Wm Petrie
E. Wm Fallofield

Fort St George
3d August 1799

To

To the Honorable the Court of Directors
for the Affairs of the Honorable the
United Company of Merchants of
England trading to the
East Indies

Honorable Sir

Para 1st We have had the Satisfact
of receiving from Robert Brooke Esqr the Governo
of St Helena an extract of his proceedings in
Council by which we observe that upon the
arrival at that Island of the news of a probabl
rupture with Tippoo Sultaun the Governor an
Council had on the motion of Mr Brooke
resolved to dispatch a vessel for the purpos
of conveying to us all the money which
could be spared from the public treasury a
all the private specie which could be
borrowed on your account

2nd The zeal and alacrity
manifested on this occasion by Mr Brooke

is

so highly characteristic of his attachment to your interests, and, while we have had great pleasure in expressing our warmest approbation of his conduct, We feel it a duty incumbent on us to recommend his spirited exertions to the most favorable notice of your Honorable Court.

3d. We have the honor to enclose for your information the Copy of our Letter to the Governor and Council at St. Helena on this Subject.

We have the honor to be with the greatest respect

Honorable Sirs

Your faithful humble Servants

(Signed) Clive

Wm. Petrie

E. Wm. Fallofield

Fort St. George
7th August 1799

To

To the Honorable the Court of Directors for Affairs of the Honorable the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the

East Indies

Honorable Sirs,

Para 1st In our address of the 12 August last we referred your Honorable Court to the separate dispatches of the Governor General for a detailed account of the measures adopted by his Lordship for the conduct of the late War in Mysoor

2 At that period the principal Obstruction to the complete establishment of the authority of the Rajah of Mysoor and of the Company in the territ subjected to them by treaty arose from the feeble efforts of a partizan, who had foun means of attaching a banditte to his interests, and who was indebted for his

first

first successes to the difficulty of pursuing him -

We have the satisfaction however of adding that by the active exertion of two detachments equipped against him under the command of Colonel Stevenson and Lieutenant Colonel Dalrymple this freebooter was compelled to abandon all his hosts and to fly with precipitation into the Mharatta territories, where he has found an asylum under one of the feudatories of the Empire -

We have great pleasure in acquainting you that this service was executed with the same Spirit of alacrity and energy which had distinguished the whole progress of the War, and we beg leave to recommend in a particular manner to your notice the zeal and Galantry of Colonels Stevenson and Dalrymple -

Before

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The Arrangements made by Colonel Wellesley for this purpose have been high satisfactory to us; and we have the pleasure of informing you that he has taken possession of the whole of the reserved territory without any opposition from the Officers of the Mharatta empire. As soon therefore as sufficient information shall be obtained on which the most commodious mode of dividing these territories can be formed, orders will be issued under the instructions of the Governor General in Council for carrying it into effect.

Although the disposition hitherto manifested by the Mharatta Feudatories on the frontier affords a reasonable expectation that this arrangement may be finally adjusted without any impediment from them, we have yet thought it right to be prepared for the contingency of a change in their disposition. We have therefore sent instructions to Colonel Wellesley

Wellesley, under the Sanction of the Governor-
General, cautiously to avoid every cause of
offence, and religiously to respect the Mharatta
Frontier but in the event of any violation of the
territories of the Allies by any body of the
Mharatta forces, that officer is ordered to expel
them with the utmost degree of promptitude
and decision, and to take effectual measures
for restraining the exercise of their predatory
habits by punishing on the Spot any plunderers
who shall be found in Arms acting within
the territories of the Company or of the Rajah
of Mysoor.—

The rapidity of our success in
establishing the authority of the Company
appearing to justify a well founded expecta-
tion of tranquility the Governor-General
proposed that the Commander in Chief should
be requested to arrange the necessary measures
for distributing the greater part of the Army
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into quarters and Cantonments at an early period. Lieutenant General Harris is according engaged in the Adjustment of a plan for th purpose.

11 The Governor General also proposed, that the several expensive employm of principal Agent for bullocks, Commiss. of grain and provisions, Commissary of Store and Paymaster to the Army together with a the extraordinary Staff and other establish ments should be discontinued. We accordingly ordered that the whole should cease on the 30 September.

12. It being however probable that Circumstances might detain the troops under the Command of Colonel Wellesley longer in the field than the period abovementioned, w judged it expedient to make a temporary arrangement for conducting the duties of th several departments in Camp upon a reduc

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13 We are sanguine that these preparatory measures will enable us to bring the accounts of the late War to an early conclusion, and have in consequence laid the Strongest injunctions on our Accountant General and Military Auditor General to make this a particular object of their duty -

14 Your Honorable Court have already been informed of the considerations, which induced the Governor General to fix the future residence of the families of Tippoo Sultaun and of Hyder Ally in the fortress of Vellour.

15 At our meeting of the 20th August the Governor General recorded his Lordship's instruction for providing Suitable Accomodations for those families, by which your Honorable Court will observe that every degree of attention has been paid to their consequence and former situation consistent-

consistent with the Security of their persons -

16. At a Subsequent Opportunity the Governor General informed us that his Lordship had appointed Lieutenant Colonel Doveton of this establishment to be paymaster of the Sepoys and in order to compensate Lieutenant Colonel Doveton for the trouble and responsibility imposed on him, and at the same time to enable him to support an appearance suitable to the Situation for which he has been selected the Governor General has granted him an allowance of four hundred pagodas per month in addition to his Allowances as Commandant of the fort and garrison of Vellaur -,

17 It is the intention of the Governor General that this Salary, as well as the whole expence of the buildings about to be erected for the accomodation of the families shall be charged on the fund provided by the treaty of Mysoor for their support and maintenance -

18 The Governor General having

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communicated his ideas on this Subject in the fullest manner to Lord Clive as well as to Lieutenant Colonel Doveton thought it unnecessary to record any written instructions deeming it sufficient to express his Lordship's general desire that the families of Hyder Ally and of Tippoo Sultaun should be treated with every degree of respect and attention, and with every necessary precaution for the security and protection of their persons.

19 The two elder sons of Tippoo Sultaun have accordingly arrived at Vellour and the rest of the family will remain at Seringapatam until the Accomodations shall have been completed.

20 The Governor General having previously communicated to us his appointment of Lieutenant Colonel Close to be Resident in Mysoor laid before us a Copy of his Lordship's instructions to that Officer

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containing a definition of the nature and extent of his powers, together with the particular objects of duty to which those orders directed his attention. The Governor General was of opinion that the extent and importance of these duties required appointments and establishments adequate to the trust, and his Lordship was therefore pleased to make the Salary and establishments of the Resident in Mysoor exactly equal to those of the President at Hyderabad.

21 At the same time the Governor General informed us of his Lordships intention that the whole civil and Military authorities of the Company's Government in Mysoor should be subject to the immediate controul of this Presidency, for the purpose of more effectually preserving their union and of giving them the greatest degree of efficiency. But the important change, which has been produced in the

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political State of India by the conquest of Mysoor and the death of Tippoo Sultan rendered it indispensably necessary that the Affairs of Mysoor should be brought under the close and constant Attention of the Governor General in Council, his Lordship therefore desired that all communications received from Mysoor should be transmitted without delay to Bengal, and stated it as a particular part of his instructions to us, not to take any measures without reference to Bengal, which might tend to produce any change in the form established by the late treaties for the government of that Country without the Special instructions of the Governor General in Council.

22 Cases of exigency will perhaps arise, which may require the immediate decision of this Government; but feeling as we do, the necessity of resorting to the Governor General in Council, whenever the occasion shall

shall admit of such a reference. We beg leave to assure your Honorable Court of our constant attention to her Lordships wishes on this Subject.

23 The Governor General having deemed it necessary on the same considerations that the troops of the Bombay Presidency serving in Canara and Malabar should continue subject to the orders of this Presidency, instructions were transmitted for that purpose to the Governor in Council at Bombay previously to Her Lordships departure from hence.

24 Some of the Commissioners appointed for the Affairs of Mysoor having incurred personal expenses in the execution of their duties were called on to state the amount on honor, but the letters for this purpose having been dispatched immediately previous to the departure of the Governor General, his Lordships further sentiments on the Subject will be communicated to your Honorable Court from Bengal.

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25 The Governor-General proposed that a Compensation of 250 Pagodas per Month should be granted to the gentleman who executed the laborious duty of Secretary and a Compensation of 100 Pagodas per Month to the Assistants to the Commission,- which have accordingly been paid

26 The Governor General took the same Occasion to bring under our notice the Situation of Mysoor Irmuldrow,- a person distinguished as well by his Zealous and faithfull Attachment to the family now elevated to the Musnud, as by the misfortunes, which his negotiations in their behalf have brought on himself and his family. His Lordship laid before us an address from Irmuldrow, in which his claims on the family of Mysoor are stated and recommended that he should be placed on a footing of entire equality with the Officers of the late Government distinguished by the title of Meer Meeran The Governor General did not intend that this Arrangement should affect

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Presidency in respect to the Strength and distribution of our Army, in consequence of the late change of affairs in this part of India have been under the Consideration of the Governor General but not having been brought to maturity we shall not enter into this Subject at present.

30 Previously however to the departure of the Governor General from this Presidency His Lordship considering the probable plan of our future Warfare and the immediate demand for Cavalry to serve with the Subsidiary force at Hyderabad and on the Coast of Malabar and Canara, Resolved that it was necessary to add two Regiments of Cavalry to the establishment under this Presidency, One of these Regiments has been ordered to join the Detachment serving with His Highness the Nizam and from the body of Cavalry to be hereafter stationed in Mysoor the details, which the Commander in Chief at Bombay has stated to be

be indispensably requisite for Malabar and Canara, will be furnished without adding a Corps of Cavalry permanently to that establishment

31 The Commander in Chief having been accordingly requested to prepare a plan for raising the two additional Regiments of Cavalry, observed that the present constitution of the Corps of Cavalry allots but one Officer of the rank of Colonel to the four Regiments, to which eight subordinate field officers are attached This disproportion in the relative ranks of the Infantry and Cavalry has been already felt to be a grievance by the latter — and the proposed increase of that Corps — rendered an alteration in this part of its establishment absolutely necessary -

32 The Commander in Chief — therefore considered it proper to include the promotion of a Second Colonel in the Arrangement which is formed on the principle of

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giving the promotion immediately accruing from the increase of the establishment to the Senior Officers of each rank in the Cavalry line; and of filling the vacancies occasioned by this promotion by regular regimental succession in the Corps from which they are removed.

33 We have on the recommendation of the Commander in Chief resolved that the six Regiments of native Cavalry shall be formed into two brigades, that a Colonel shall be appointed to each brigade, that the Senior Colonel shall continue to hold the General Command of the whole Corps of Cavalry and that a Major of Brigade shall be appointed to each Brigade of Cavalry. These Arrangements have in consequence been carried into effect.

34 Lord Clive being of Opinion that the Staff Establishment attached to his Lordship as Governor of Fort St. George, which he had before found to be inadequate without

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Her Lordship's Station, or to afford the assistance
requisite for the transaction of business, must
prove totally insufficient for those purposes"
under the late change of circumstances at the
Presidency. Her Lordship felt it necessary
for herself and of public importance to
bring this point under our consideration
before the departure of the Governor General.

35 The Governor General stated
that the business of this Government now
opens so great a scene that no considerations
inferior to the urgent calls of her Lordship's
duty in Bengal would have induced him
to relinquish the particular charge of
affairs on the Coast at this critical period
Her Lordship was therefore sensible that
it would be requisite to facilitate the
dispatch of the intricate and extensive
affairs, which he was about to commit to
the hands of Lord Clive, by furnishing him
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with every degree of aid, which could be derived from the Civil and Military Servants on this Coast

31 Lord Clive trusts that in proposing, under these Circumstances, to add to the very limited Staff Establishment of the Governor of Madras a Military Secretary and an additional aide decamp Your Lordships will not be thought to exceed what the extent of business and increased importance of this Presidency render absolutely necessary -

32 The addition of these officers has accordingly been made to the Staff of the Governor, and we have no doubt that the Arrangement, in the necessity of which we entirely concur, will meet the fullest approbation of your Honorable Court -

38 Previous to the departure of the Governor General from this Presidency on his return to Bengal, We felt it a duty, which we discharged with particular satisfaction, to express our Acknowledgements to His

Excellency

Excellency Vice Admiral Rainier for his cordial Cooperation during the Services, in which the arms of His Majesty, and of the Company have been so successfully engaged.

39 The ready disposition shewn by His Excellency to regulate the distribution of His Majesty's Ships for the effectual protection of the Malabar Coast, demands our warmest thanks; for His Excellency by taking so early a station off the enemy's ports and by protracting his cruize on the Malabar Coast to so late a period of the season provided the best means to prevent Tippoo Sultaun from deriving any succours from his Allies, the French. and the disposition of the Squadron at the same time that it deprived the enemy of all expectation of external assistance, contributed in a material degree to the Security of our own territories on the Malabar Coast,

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we conveyed to Captain Malcolm our public
thanks for the zeal, ability and judgment which
he had shewn in the discharge of extensive
duties of great political importance and
delicacy. The Governor General has further
signified his sense of Captain Malcolms
merits by entrusting to his conduct an
embassy to the Court of Persia involving the
most essential interests of the Honorable
Company, and we beg leave to recommend the
services of this Officer in a most particular
manner to your Honorable Court.

4th The Governor General in
Council has been pleased to appoint Captain
John Leith of this Establishment to succeed
Captain Malcolm as Assistant to the Resident
at Hyderabad.

5th We have embarked on the
Ships Dublin and Sir Edward Hughes a
proportion of the French Officers taken pris-
oners of War at Seringapatam, of whom we
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enclose a list, with Statements of the advances which they have received and of the Sums which have been paid for their passage.

16 We have also judged it necessary to embark on the Sir Edward Hughes a Dutchman of the name of Van Haaften whose conduct has been disrespectful and in other respects exceptionable.

17 We send in the packet Statements of the Principal Sum due on the 17th October 1799 to the Creditors of His Highness the Nabob and of Hus Excellency the Rajah of Tanjore.

18 By this conveyance We forward the Brother Set of our Proceedings in the Military and Political Departments from 23d July to the 27th August.

We have the honor to be,
with the greatest Respect.
Honorable Sirs,
Your faithful humble Servants
(Signed) Clive
George Harris
Wm Petrie
E. Wm Falloofield

Fort St. George
9th October 1799

To

To the Honorable the Court of Directors
for Affairs of the Honorable the United
Company of Merchants of England
trading to the

East Indies

Honorable Sirs,

Para. 1 Since the date of our last dispatch from this Department of the 19th October 1799 We have had the honor to receive your Letter of the 5th June last, to which we shall reply at a future period, and beg leave in the mean time to assure you that we shall be careful to observe the intent of the orders contained in that Letter—

2 In the 15th paragraph of our Letter dated 13th August 1799 We informed your Honorable Court of the intention of the Right Honorable the Governor General to give the fullest attention to the Adjustment of the affairs of Tanjore previously to His Lordship's departure for Bengal.

3 Having accordingly gone into a very full consideration of the report of the Commissioners

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Commissioners on the state of that Country, the Governor General was satisfied of the absolute necessity of a thorough reform of that Government and the Resident, Mr Torin, was furnished by his Lordship with such instructions and explanations as appeared to be necessary for opening a Negotiation with his Excellency the Rajah for this purpose, together with the distinct propositions on which the future treaty should be formed —

4 At our consultation of the 5th November Lord Clive communicated to us His Lordship's correspondence with the Resident at Tanjour to which we beg leave to refer your Honorable Court for the detailed progress of Mr Torins negotiation with his Excellency the Rajah His Lordship at the same time laid before us a treaty founded on the propositions of the Governor General, which had been concluded between Mr Toren and the Rajah

5 By these papers we observed with great satisfaction that His Excellency

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had felt and acknowledged the indispensable necessity of a fundamental change in the government of Tanjore, a change not to be produced by a remedy less effectual than the unbounded authority of the Company over the whole of that Country This object, so long and anxiously desired by your Honorable Court, has been accomplished not only with the full consent, but with the zealous cooperation of the Rajah for the permanent benefit of his people; and now will be happy to observe that the mode, by which it has been effected, places in the hands of this Government the fullest latitude to introduce such a form of administration, as shall appear most conducive to the establishment of a permanent govern-ment, and to the collection of an adequate revenue.

6 We have much satisfaction in acquainting your Honorable Court that the treaty

treaty of Tanjour has been approved and ratified by the Governor General in Council; and we congratulate your Honorable Court on the happy conclusion of an arrangement, which has at length relieved the Country of Tanjour from the destructive system of Administration, under which it has so long suffered, and which promises to establish the prosperity of that Country and the happiness of the people on the solid foundation of a permanent just, and efficient government.

7 The Governor General in Council has expressed his Lordships concurrence in the recommendations, which we have bestowed on the conduct of Mr. Torin the Resident throughout the negotiation, and we have great pleasure in pointing out to the notice of your Honorable Court the important services which that gentleman has rendered to the Company on this occasion.

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We furnished the Resident at Tanjour

Tanjore with particular orders, and with a proclamation to be published to the Inhabitants of that Country communicating to them in the most formal manner the complete transfer of authority and power to the hands of the Company, and explaining the perfect right which they had acquired by the late treaty to provide for the administration of the government, and for the establishment of courts for the administration of civil and criminal justice.

9 For these papers as well as for our instructions to the Board of Revenue for receiving charge of the unassumed Zemlahs, and for a letter addressed by Lord Clive to His Excellency the Rajah on the occasion of the ratification of the treaty we beg leave to refer your Honorable Court to our minutes noticed in the margin.

insert 11th Dec.

10 Your Honorable Court will observe that every attention, due to the Situation

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of the late Rajah Ameer Sing, has been paid by the provision of a Stipend, adequate to his expenses, and by the appropriation of one of the Rajahs palaces for his future residence within the Country of Tanjore.

11 Your Honorable Court will observe from our dispatch in the revenue department the situation of affairs in the assigned Pollams, during the late Campaign which led to the equipment of a detachment for suppressing the commotion of the Polygars and for punishing those, who were in actual rebellion against the authority of the Compa

12 Having reason to believe that the force, which would be required for this purpose, would be sufficient for carrying into effect the intentions of your Honorable Court for disarming the whole of the Polygars and for subjecting them entirely to your government, we resolved, during the residence of the Governor General at this Presidency

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Secret Consultation 20th August

that measures should be taken for this purpose under the impression of our late success in Mysoor.

13 Our confidence of success was the more earned from the information afforded by Major John Bannerman, whose intimate Knowledge of the affairs of the province enabled him to estimate the real strength of the Polygars; and while his military talents qualified him to command the Expedition, we felt a substantive security in his integrity against those causes of failure to which we may with too much justice, we fear, attribute some unsuccessful attempts to subdue that refractory race.

14 The rapidity of Major Bannerman's success was equal to our expectation and wishes, and all the objects of his original instructions have been completely accomplished the rebellion supported by the Polygar of

Panjalam

Panjalamcowahy was suppressed, and the authority of Government vindicated by the punishment of that rebel with two of his associates, the fort of every Polygar in the Southern Provinces subjected to the Company by the treaty of 1792. has been razed to the ground, and the orders of your Honorable Court have been carried into complete effect by the Surrender of their arms and implements of war.

15 The measures founded on the success of the detachment have produced the most extensive and entire change in the condition of the Polygars, from a horde of armed and independent Chieftains powerful enough to resist the authority of the State, they are became individual land holders incapable at present of offence from a lawless banditti, carrying war and depredation into the neighbouring provinces, they are become a disarmed peasantry, dependant

on the power of the Company for the protection
of their lives and property against the resent-
ment and force of their former enemies—

16 Under these Circumstances and
a continuation of the measures, which have
produced this change, We trust that it is now
practicable to convert these predatory Polygars
into quiet Zemindars and to commute their
military service for a permanent assessment
of money on their Lands.

17 Adverting to the frequent attempts
which have been made to subject the Polygars to
a government and to subdue their Spirit of
independance, to the indispensable necessity of
introducing a radical reform in those provinces
to the anxiety and orders of your Honorable
Court for disarming the Polygars and to the
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which Major Bannerman accepted the
command of the detachment We felt it to be
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fullest extent the merits of the distinguished activity, energy, ability, and integrity with which he has executed this important service we have therefore conveyed our public thanks to Major Bannerman for his meritorious conduct on this occasion, and we have great pleasure in reporting to your Honorable Court that the success, which has attended his measures, will enable us to rescue the Southern Provinces from a State of rebellion and confusion, and to lay the foundations of permanent government

Consult. 31 December

13 In our letter of the 19th October we informed your Honorable Court of the entire suspension of the Negotiations at Poona on the bases of the treaty of Mysoor, and our President has since communicated to us the instructions of the Governor General to the Residents at Poonah and Hyderabad in consequence of the Peishwas having declined to accede

Consult 7th October

accede to that treaty on the terms proposed
to him by Colonel Palmer in conformity to
his Lordship's directions.—

19 The reserved districts having
been entirely evacuated by the Mahratta Force
at the time of receiving this dispatch from
the Governor General, and the friendly appear-
ance of the communications recently received
by Colonel Wellesley from Dhonda Punt —
Gockla having removed every obstacle to an
immediate partition of the territory between
the Allies according to the second separate
article of the treaty of Mysoor, Lord Clive
suggested to the Resident the deputation of
some person on the part of His Highness
the Nizam for the purpose of adjusting the
new boundary of His Highness's dominions
by personal communication with the —
Resident and Dewan of Mysoor.

20 A commissioner has in —
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consequence been appointed on the part of His Highness the Nizam; but not having yet arrived at his destination, the demarcation of the frontier and the interchange of districts remain unadjusted —

21 At appearing at the same time obvious that the province of Soonda — Balaghaut lying contiguous to that of Canara should be added to the Company's portion of the conquered territories, the Resident in Mysoor was directed to place it under — Captain Munro; and we have the satisfaction of adding that subsequent information — relative to the value of that province has confirmed the expediency of annexing it to the Company's share of the conquered territories.

22 Your Honorable Court — will observe that in the meanwhile some immaterial differences have arisen on the

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Consult. 12th & 14th October

borders of Dungarcore and Gurrumcondah, Which have however been composed by the orders transmitted to the Sagerdar of Gurrumconda Meer Hummus ud deen Khan.—

23 We have the satisfaction of—

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acquainting your Honorable Court that the Dewan of Mysoor has completed the pecuniary engagements of the Rajah in a manner satisfactory to the President as far as the Month of October—

24 Your Honorable Court have been already informed of the pensions, which the Governor General had granted to the families, Officers, and Servants of Hyder Ally and of Tippoo Sultaun; and we beg leave to

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refer you to our minutes noted in the margin for the detailed orders which we have issued for carrying his Lordship's intentions into effect.

25 Having received from the President in Mysoor particular information

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on the means of improving the posts through the conquered territories, we were anxious to accelerate the communication with Poonah by the Establishment of a direct post through the territories of their Highnesses the Rajah of Mysoor and the Peishwa, but we have been disappointed by the positive refusal on the part of the latter to acquiesce in an arrangement for that purpose

26 Considering the very delicate and important trust, confided to the Honorable Colonel Wellesley in the command of the force serving in Mysoor, as well as the heavy and unavoidable expenses, to which that command had subjected him, Lord Clive communicated to us his Lordship's opinion that the dignity of the Station required a more liberal support than the mere allowances attached to Colonel Wellesley's rank, and that justice demanded a relief from those incumbrances, in which he had been involved by the selection made

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of him to command in Mysoor.

27 Judging by comparison of t
allowances which had been granted by the
Marquis Cornwallis under similar consider
ations to the Officer commanding the
Subsidiary force serving with his Highness
the Nizam, as well as of the relative impor
tance and responsibility of the command,
Lord Clive thought that Six hundred pago
per Month would not be more than an
adequate support of Colonel Wellesley's sta
and we have accordingly granted him a
Salary to that amount from the 3rd of Oct
inclusive.

28 At the same time that w
felt the necessity of making a provision fo
the purposes recommended by Lord Clive,
we were impressed with the fullest sense
the value of Colonel Wellesley's zeal and
cordiality, and we cannot too forcibly
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impress on your Honorable Court the advant-
:ges which we have derived, and must still
derive, in the adjustment of the affairs of
Mysoor from our implicit confidence in
the honor and integrity of that officer.—

29 In consequence of a commu-
:nication from the officer commanding in
Mysoor relative to military Stores found
in the different forts we resolved that all stores
in places, which were taken or submitted after
the conclusion of the treaty of Seringapatam
should be considered the property of Hes
Highness the Rajah, and all Stores taken
between that period and the fall of Seringa-
:patam should be considered the property of
the Allies.

30 Lord Clive communicated to
us two letters from his Highness the Nabob
on the Subject of the operations already —
described against the Pollygars of Tinnivelly

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about a right of nominating successors to
expelled Polygars, and demands that no arra
ment shall be made without his previous
approbation.

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also laid before us, Lord Clive informed the
Nabob of the measures which has been
C.C.N.°14 C. adopted for the suppression of the rebellion
and the restoration of order; and his
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to inform him that such parts of the arra
ment for the future government of the
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33 We think it necessary to inclose for your immediate reference a Copy of His Highness's answer, as it contains a just definetion of those principles of morality — which His Highness prescribes for the regulation of his own conduct, and to which he appears most religiously to adhere.

34 We also think it necessary to inclose a number in the Packet the Copy of a letter which we have received from Sir Paul Jodrell on the subject of his Situation, as it is affected by the continued refusal of the Nabob

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to make any provision for the payment of this bond.

35 The usual Adjustment of His Highness the Nabobs Hirtbundy account has been made in conformity to the Sixth article of the treaty of 1792.

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31 The disrespect shewn by certain individuals to the prohibitions which have been occasionally published against the resort of Europeans to the Durbar of His Highness the Nabob, has rendered it necessary for us to repeat that injunction; and it is our serious resolution to send to Europe by the earliest opportunity any person who shall offend against this order.

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37 Under the considerations due to the circumstances stated by Mr. Charles Dartle we have been induced to forward a number in the packet a memorial from that gentleman to your Honorable Court

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upon the Subject of his pecuniary claims on His Highness the Nabob of the Carnatic.

In our dispatch of the 19th October last we informed your Honorable Court that previously to the departure of the Right Honorable the Governor General from this Presidency his Lordship had deemed it necessary to place the troops of the Bombay Establishment serving on the Coasts of Canara and Malabar under the orders of this Presidency.

39 Circumstances having soon after rendered it necessary for us to order a part of the forces stationed in those provinces to March into Mysoor, instructions for that purpose were sent to the Officers commanding in Canara and Mysoor.

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40 In reply to their instructions the Commander in Chief at Bombay, by whom they had been received informed us that he did not consider himself authorized to direct the movement of the troops according to our wishes

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Governor in Council at that Presidency; but
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he had made the necessary arrangement
that purpose.

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hend at the time of issuing the order in
question that any doubt could have been en
tained of the orders of the Governor Genera
in Council at Fort St. George, and concluded
that the Officer commanding in Canara an
Malabar would have been prepared to compl
with our instructions yet as the doubt had occu
to the mind of Lieutenant General Stuart, he
thought it necessary to apply to the Governor
General in Council at Calcutta for a more
distinct explanation of his Lordship's intention
on this point, as we conceive the power of
commanding the services of the troops serving
in Canara and Malabar to be inseparable